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## How to get involved with LDP 2

West Lothian Council has started work on preparing the next Local Development Plan (LDP 2), which will guide land use and development across the area for the next 10 years. The first step in this process is to set out the **evidence base** for the plan in an Evidence Report.

Draft topic schedules and background papers which form the evidence base have now been published on the council's [LDP 2 web page](#). We are currently inviting feedback on this evidence to identify any agreements or disputes from stakeholders in preparation of the Evidence Report.

To get involved, download and complete the [Evidence Engagement Response Form](#) and email it to [wlldp@westlothian.gov.uk](mailto:wlldp@westlothian.gov.uk) by Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

Please submit a separate form for each topic schedule you wish to comment on.

## Development plan engagement feedback

The council publishes an updated **Development Plan Scheme (DPS)** at least once a year. The DPS explains what a Development Plan is, outlines how the council intends to prepare and consult on LDP 2, and includes a **Participation Statement** – a guide on how the public can get involved.

The most recent scheme is [DPS No. 16](#) which was published in March 2024. We are now working on DPS No. 17 and seeking feedback on the current DPS, as well as the engagement carried out so far.

If you would like to share your thoughts, please complete this short [Development Plan Scheme Feedback Form](#) and email it to [wlldp@westlothian.gov.uk](mailto:wlldp@westlothian.gov.uk) by Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

## LDP1 Delivery Programme adopted

While our focus is on the preparation of LDP 2, we remain committed to supporting the delivery of the current local development plan, LDP 1.

On 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024, West Lothian Council adopted the **LDP 1 Delivery Programme 2024**. In line with National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4), this replaces the previously approved LDP 1 Action Programme 2021.

The Delivery Programme sets out the infrastructure, actions and timescales which are necessary to implement LDP 1.

Find more information and read the LDP 1 Delivery Programme [here](#).

## Play Sufficiency Assessment published

Following consultation with children, young people and adults in West Lothian, the **Play Sufficiency Assessment** (PSA) has been published on the council's LDP 2 web page. This document evaluates play opportunities, helping to understand what is working well and identify gaps in provision that can be addressed in the future. The findings from the PSA will be used in the preparation of LDP 2.

You can read the PSA by clicking [here](#).

## Going forward

We will continue to communicate news about LDP 2 as it progresses. Keep up to date by regularly visiting the [web page](#) and by continuing to subscribe to the LDP 2 Newsletter. You can also [register your contact details](#) with us and we will add you to a mailing list which is maintained specifically for advising of LDP 2 related matters.

If you know someone who may be interested in subscribing to the LDP 2 Newsletter please let them know that they can register at the [sign-up page](#) or by emailing us at **wlldp@westlothian.gov.uk**

As a subscriber to the LDP 2 Newsletter you will receive periodic updates from the Development Planning & Environment team regarding the preparation of the 2nd West Lothian Local Development Plan (LDP 2). You can [un-subscribe](#) at any time. You can view our Privacy Notice by clicking [here](#).

If you have any questions relating to the preparation of LDP 2 or you want to provide feedback and comments on our service, please email us at **wlldp@westlothian.gov.uk** You can also write to us at the address below.

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