



# **LIVINGSTON LOCALITY PLAN**

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# Introduction

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, requires Community Planning Partnerships (CPPs) to develop locality plans for specific areas experiencing poorer outcomes. In West Lothian, these areas have been identified through the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD).

The plans aim to ensure that the Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) is delivered meaningfully at a local level and that local issues identified by communities can influence CPP activity.

The Community Wealth Building Team manages the development and delivery of locality plans – creating a link between the LOIP, other key strategic partnership plans and structures, and the communities in West Lothian's most deprived areas.

This locality plan is one of six across West Lothian that aims to put the identified communities at the centre of its approach to tackling inequalities.

This plan has been developed against the backdrop of a cost of living crisis which is having a significant impact on local communities and their residents, coupled with a reduction in public finances. It is therefore even more important that partners work together at a local level to address the issues that communities are facing.

Priorities identified through engagement at a local level will be fed up to Community Planning partners and other key services. Services will also work with local communities to address issues identified through statistical evidence and data.

The plan will provide a platform at a local level to deliver the key strategic themes of Community Wealth Building, as well as implementing the main mechanisms of the Community Empowerment Act such as community participation, participatory budgeting and community asset transfer.



# Livingston Regeneration Areas - Local Context

**Livingston is the largest town in West Lothian with a population of 56,840 (source: National Records of Scotland).**

The new town of Livingston, created in the 1960s, took a neighbourhood approach to the development of the community. In contrast with the villages and towns in other parts of West Lothian, these neighbourhoods flow into one another and are very interconnected.

These areas have their neighbourhood centres which typically host some shops, and community facilities. Most of them have community projects and active groups that are providing services to try meet the needs of their residents.

The town centre of Livingston provides many employment opportunities for the town and is in close proximity to most neighbourhoods.

Unique to Livingston, the housing tenure is very mixed with a significant proportion of social housing being non-council, particularly in Craigshill where Almond Housing provide the vast majority of properties.

The areas which are classed as regeneration areas and requiring locality planning are mostly original neighbourhoods of the new town. The combined population of the regeneration areas in Livingston is 32,238.

**A breakdown of this is as follows:**

- Craigshill: 7,057
- Dedridge: 6,808
- Carmondean: 5,170
- Ladywell: 5,024
- Deans: 4,234
- Knightsridge: 3,945

(Source: Scottish Government)

Similar to the approach with other parts of West Lothian which take a whole-village or even whole-town approach, this plan takes a wider-neighbourhood approach to the regeneration areas in Livingston, but also seeks to identify opportunities across these areas to pool resources and maximise effort.

## Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) and other key data

Specific neighbourhoods in Livingston have been identified as areas requiring locality plans due to them containing a number of data zones, or neighbourhoods, ranked in the bottom 20% in the SIMD.

The SIMD ranks data zones based on scores across the following seven domains:

- Income
- Employment
- Health
- Education/Skills
- Housing
- Geographic Access
- Crime

All elements are made up of a range of factors. For example, health is made up of alcohol, drugs, mortality, depression, low birth weight and emergency hospital admissions.

# Livingston Regeneration Areas - Local Context

## Scottish Index of Multi Derivation (SIMD)

West Lothian has 35 data zones in the bottom 20% of the SIMD, as shown [here](#). 37% (13 datazones) are within six neighbourhoods across Livingston.

### Breaking down the SIMD data further within neighbourhoods:

**Dedridge** – whilst Dedridge has the employment advantage of having Livingston Centre along the north of it, it has two datazones in the bottom 20%.

**Ladywell** – Ladywell has three datazones in the bottom 20% which are in the west and south west of the neighbourhood. One of these is in the bottom 10%. Its remaining three

datazones are in the bottom 30%.

**Deans** – the area around the south/south-west of the neighbourhood centre has two datazones in the bottom 20% including one in the bottom 10%.

**Knightsridge** – deprivation is consistent across the east side of the neighbourhood, with the Logan Way/ Moncrieff Way area in the bottom 10% and the area around the neighbourhood centre in the bottom 20%.

**Craigshill** – has one of the four datazones in West Lothian that are in the bottom 5% across Scotland. This is within the north west of Craigshill. Three of the remaining datazones, which cover an area around ¼ mile in radius around the centre of Craigshill, are in the bottom 20%.

**Carmondean** – one datazone covering the Fells Rigg/ Raeburn Rigg area is within the bottom 20%.



The social determinants of health in the diagram above have a greater influence on our physical and mental health than health care systems and need to be included when looking at reducing inequalities in our most deprived areas.

Source: Dahlgren and Whitehead (1991)



# Livingston Regeneration Areas - Local Context

## Children Accessing non-Universal Free School Meals

West Lothian	17%
Deans	28%
Knightsridge	41%
Ladywell	32%
Craigshill	36%

\*Carmondean data coupled with Eliburn data at source therefore not presented

## Children in Low Income Families (data from 2021/22)

The percentage of children living in low income families in West Lothian is 19.9%. In Livingston, 35 data zones out of 62 are above the West Lothian average.

- Deans south- 51.4 %
- Ladywell east - 46.4 %
- Knightsridge north-east) – 42.6%
- Craigshill north & east - 41.6%
- Ladywell central - 40.6%

Source: Scottish Government

## Claimant Count

Mar 2024

West Lothian	2.8%
Deans	4.4%
Knightsridge	4.4%
Ladywell	4.8%
Craigshill	5.4%
Dedridge	4.0%

Source: Office of National Statistics

## Health

Of the 13 datazones in the bottom 20% in Livingston, 11 scored significantly lower for the health domain than their overall ranking (the two exceptions are in Craigshill).

Source: Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2020.

## School Leavers Entering Higher Education 2022/23

	West Lothian	Dedridge	Carmondean	Ladywell	Deans	Craigshill	Knightsridge (29)
Employed	22%	21%	35%	19%	22%	16%	14%
Further Education	35%	36%	41%	42%	22%	51%	45%
Higher Education	25%	32%	12%	12%	33%	14%	17%
Training	5%	-	-	16%	4%	3%	3%
Unemployed Not Seeking	4%	4%	6%	5%	15%	3%	3%
Unemployed Seeking	6%	7%	6%	5%	4%	8%	10%
Other	2%	-	-	2%	-	5%	6%
Negative Destination	10%	11% (3)	12% (2)	9% (4)	19% (4)	11% (5)	14% (4)

Source Scottish Government Statistics

## Life Expectancy

Some areas within Livingston have much lower life expectancies than the rest of West Lothian. The table below shows how much lower life expectancies are in these areas compared to the highest areas in West Lothian:

Livingston	F	M
Knightsridge	7 years	10 years
Ladywell	8 years	9 years
Craigshill	10 years	11 years
Dedridge	8 years	11 years
Deans	6 years	9 years

\*Carmondean data coupled with Eliburn data at source therefore not presented

# Localities Planning Achievements to date

This new locality plan follows on from previous Regeneration Plans that have been in operation in parts of Livingston since 2018. Established local steering groups in some areas, made up of key community organisations and partners, have helped to develop local structures and deliver the actions within these plans.

Some achievements from the previous plan are shown below. Several of these areas of work will carry forward into the new action plan for 2023 - 2026.

## Town Centre Regeneration Funding

**£380,688** secured and utilised locally on community projects.

- Carondean: **£63,426**
- Deans: **£51,943**
- Knightsridge: **£48,397**
- Ladywell: **£61,636**
- Dedridge: **£83,521**
- Craigshill: **£71,765**

## Partnerships

Creation of a range of structures has enabled successful partnership working in the Livingston regeneration areas. These relationships work towards addressing the issues/priorities in communities.

## Key Community Organisations Supported by West Lothian Council's Voluntary Organisations budget

Ladywell Neighbourhood Network, daisy Drop-in, Dedridge Good Neighbour Network, Crofthead Farm and The Vennie have been supported in the development and delivery of projects to the value of **£914,687**.

## Supported the leveraging in of external funding by key community organisations

Some examples of external funding for local groups include: The Vennie- **£73,581**; Ladywell Neighbourhood Network - **£107,288**; Dedridge Good Neighbour Network - **£82,891**; Craigsfarm - **£267,790**.

This has enabled additional services to be delivered in the heart of these communities where it is most needed, removing barriers for people living in the most deprived datazones in Livingston.

## Historic Status

Given the local significance of the Livingston Skate Park, support was provided to continue its development and to secure historical status through Historic Environment Scotland for the asset.

This was awarded in 2024 after working with key groups, users and services to make the case for the status.

## Specific Projects

- The Vennie has been supported to become a key development organisation and transformed from a youth-based organisation to one which has responded to the needs of the wider community through the Food Outlet and associated partnership working with churches and services and the community garden. It has become a SCIO in order to enable this.
- Transform Craigshill Community action group was supported to transform into a SCIO.
- In response to the cost of living crisis, 'Winter Ready' events have been delivered in Ladywell, Craigshill and Dedridge to allow partners who can support the most disadvantaged to engage with those who can benefit most.
- A number of Ladywell 'Weeks of Action' were delivered which focussed on raising awareness of local environmental issues and encouraging participative responses to these.
- The establishment of food pick up points was supported, with additional financial support and assistance for pick up points in Dedridge (Crofthead farm) and Craigshill (Almond Housing Buildings).
- Officers worked with key anchor organisations in Craigshill to minimise duplication and ensure community need is at the heart of local activity through increasing collaborative practice and co-production.

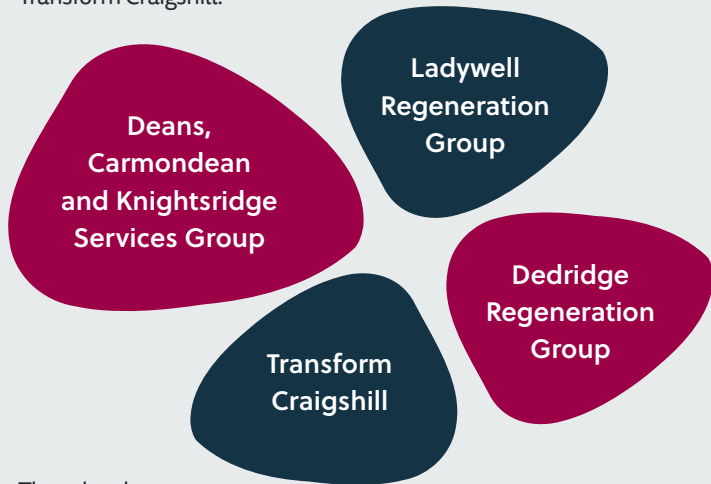
## Capacity Building

The Community Wealth Building Team (CWBT) has worked closely with several community groups, including The Vennie, to support the development of local projects and funding applications, liaising with a range of services to deliver projects throughout the process.

The team initiated the Aspiring West Lothian project that provided the Vennie with **£65,000** between 2017 and 2020, helping to transform them into a key community organisation. The capacity of the Crofthead Farm centre has also been built over the long-term to facilitate possible asset transfer and align with community needs.

# Planning Structures and Partners

Within Livingston, there are established locality planning groups that involve local community organisations and community planning partners. This includes the Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge Services Group, the Ladywell Regeneration Group, Dedridge Regeneration Group and Transform Craigshill.



These local groups:

- share information on service provision/activities within the locality to help enhance current, and plan future, provision;
- help identify wider community needs from a services perspective;
- are a conduit for wider community engagement;
- help develop collaborative working at local level; and
- work collaboratively to embed activity that aligns with community needs.

These groups are specific to the area(s) they cover and have adapted over time to meet community need in the most effective way. They will continue to evolve as required going forward. The groups and key partners are engaged in the development and delivery of this locality plan.

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# Physical Assets

There are key physical assets within each area. These include:



Livingston Skatepark

**Sports facilities across the areas including Craigswood and swimming pools at Deans and Inveralmond High Schools**

**Community Centres: Almondbank, Livingston Station, Mosswood, Carmondean, Forestbank, Lanthorn and Crofthead**

**Community gardens: Knightsridge, Ladywell, Dedridge and Craigshill**

**Cycle and path networks within and between neighbourhoods**

**Nurseries, Primary and Secondary Schools serving the six areas**

**Local businesses**

**Playparks**

**Various council and Woodland Trust woodlands**

**Open Spaces such as Dechmont Law, Froggy Park, Almond Park and Eliburn Park**

**Livingston North Partnership Centre and Almondbank Centre**



Neighbourhood centres and Livingston Centre



# ⋮ Key Community Organisations/Groups

There are also key community organisations that are important to these communities. They provide a range of services and a voice for these communities and offer help to community planning partners looking to engage or deliver services in these areas:

Community Councils	Community Education Centre Management Committees	Ladywell Neighbourhood Network	Dedridge Good Neighbour Network	Livingston Shed
Craigsfarm	Barn Café Hospitality Project	West Lothian Litter Pickers	The Vennie	Spark
Almond Housing	St. Andrew's Church, Deans	Livingston South Community Sports Hub	Transform Craigshill SCIO	West Lothian Bike Library
Daisy Drop-In				

# Examples of other Key Planning Partners involved in Locality Planning

The following services and organisations also have an important role to play in the locality planning process in the Livingston regeneration areas:

West Lothian Youth Action ProjectProject	WLC NETs, Land and Countryside	West Lothian Leisure	CLD Youth Services	WLDAS
Almond Housing	Barn Café Hospitality Project	WLC Adult Learning	West Lothian Citizens Advice Bureau	WLC Community Facilities
Active Schools and Community Sport	Camondean Medical Practice	Local schools and nurseries	Carers of West Lothian	Woodland Trust
WLC Anti-Poverty Service	Police Scotland	Cyrenians	Access2employment	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
The Conservation Volunteers	Barclays Medical Practice			

# Developing the Action Plan

In developing the actions within the plan, consideration has been given to data gathered from a range of sources. This includes:

- the findings from recent community engagement carried out by the Community Wealth Building team and partner organisations;
- statistical information relevant to the local areas;
- mapping of key services and organisations that deliver activity in the areas; and
- linking to priorities within the LOIP and other key strategic documents and plans.

This is a live document which seeks to build on the actions from the previous plan, continuing to develop the provision, capacity and sustainability of partners in these communities, and taking an asset-based approach wherever possible.

The plan will help to empower communities and support organisations to bring external funding into the area.

# Local engagement and localised data - Tools and approaches used

Various community engagement methods and tools have been utilised in the town to help determine the community's priorities. Additional engagement carried out by partners was also used to provide a clear picture of what matters to those who live, work and visit these areas in Livingston. Examples of approaches used include:



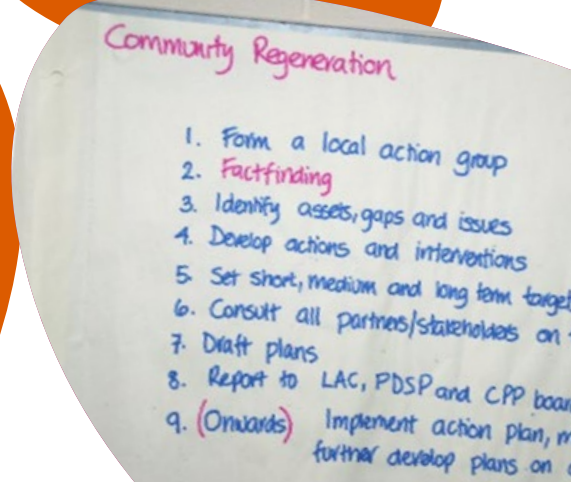
Online community surveys capturing a range of demographics that make up the community



Workshops with local groups, services and schools  
Community Events  
Community Walkabouts

Place Standards utilising the National Standards for Community Engagement

1:1 Interviews  
Face-to-face Engagement



# 🚦 School engagement

Engagement was carried out within local primary schools in the area. This allowed the younger community to have their say on what they like about living in the area and what they do not.



They were given the opportunity to explore ideas to make the area better with some good discussion taking place on climate action at a local level.

This rich qualitative data has helped to determine the priorities for those areas. This has enabled young people to have a voice in key decision making within the town.

When all the engagement materials were collated it provided a snap shot of what the community thought.



# Identified Priorities

Following intensive engagement, analysis of local data relevant to West Lothian and Scotland, and feedback from services, the following key priorities have been identified as the focus for each of the Livingston regeneration areas below.

Further community priorities, not specifically aligned to data and service priorities, will be addressed through local community plans and joint working with communities. Further community priorities, not aligned to data and service priorities will be addressed through this local plan and joint working locally.

A key area of development that was identified through engagement with the community and partners is a requirement for increased partnership working and improved communication channels with the community as a way of disseminating up to date and relevant information. All findings were presented to the relevant steering groups that have been set up in each area. These groups will support the delivery of the actions within the plan.

## All Livingston areas

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Addressing the impacts of the cost of living through specific local projects
- **Health and Wellbeing**  
Reducing health inequalities by focussing on the social determinants of health
- **Environmental**  
Exploring opportunities to improve the visual environment

## Deans priorities:

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Addressing child poverty locally  
Addressing economic inactivity, unemployment, underemployment and skills gaps
- **Health and Wellbeing**  
Working to improve mental health within the community
- **Community Development**  
Building community capacity and supporting the establishment and growth of Key Community Organisations

## Ladywell priorities:

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Addressing child poverty locally
- **Health and Wellbeing**  
Working to improve mental health within the community  
Reducing health inequalities by focussing on the social determinants of health
- **Community Development**  
Building community capacity and supporting the establishment and growth of Key Community Organisations

## Carmondean priorities:

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Addressing economic inactivity, unemployment, underemployment and skills gaps
- **Environmental**  
Addressing anti-social behaviour issues that arise

## Knightsridge priorities:

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Addressing child poverty locally  
Addressing economic inactivity, unemployment, underemployment and skills needs
- **Health and Wellbeing**  
Reducing health inequalities by focussing on the social determinants of health
- **Environmental**  
Addressing anti-social behaviour issues that arise

## Dedridge priorities:

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Reducing health inequalities by focussing on the social determinants of health
- **Community Development**  
Building community capacity and supporting the establishment and growth of Key Community Organisations  
Supporting the development of community assets

## Craigshill priorities:

- **Poverty, Employability and Skills**  
Addressing child poverty locally  
Addressing economic inactivity, unemployment, underemployment and skills gaps
- **Health and Wellbeing**  
Reducing health inequalities by focussing on the social determinants of health  
Working to improve mental health within the community
- **Community Development**  
Supporting the development of community assets

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

LOIP Pillar and strategic partner actions to be addressed on a Livingston-wide basis

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Increase the capability of local communities and services to support health and wellbeing through a preventative approach to population-level mental wellbeing.	<p>Develop and raise awareness of a specific '6 ways to Wellbeing' model through mapping and increase understanding in the relevant Livingston areas and with partners.</p> <p>Map community assets/resources/ support for mental wellbeing and identify gaps and responses.</p> <p>Deliver training to the community and practitioners on Mental Health First Aid.</p>	<p><b>NHS Lothian</b></p> <p><b>West Lothian Council</b></p> <p><b>Local Third Sector</b></p> <p><b>West Lothian Leisure</b></p> <p>Local Steering Groups</p>	<p>LOIP Pillar Working Group</p> <p><b>Mental Health Oversight Group</b></p>	LOIP Pillar – Improving Health & Wellbeing
Develop local awareness around the impact of substance use and health.	<p>Develop a preventative approach to alcohol within the relevant communities.</p> <p>Use health intelligence for the area to inform alcohol licensing.</p> <p>Scope community need including young people, adults and staff needs.</p> <p>Raise awareness, reduce stigma and provide education to the whole community around alcohol and substance misuse</p>	<p><b>NHS Lothian</b></p> <p><b>Alcohol and Drug Partnership</b></p> <p>West Lothian Council</p> <p>West Lothian Drug and Alcohol Service (WLDAS)</p> <p>West Lothian Youth Action Project (WLYAP)</p> <p>Police Scotland</p> <p>Local regeneration groups</p>	<p>LOIP Pillar Working Group</p> <p>Alcohol and Drug Partnership</p> <p>Preventative and Early Intervention Group</p> <p>Statistical data</p> <p>Local community engagement</p>	LOIP Pillar – Improving Health & Wellbeing

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
<p>Community resilience around climate change is increased in the relevant Livingston areas.</p>	<p>Educate communities on the effects of climate change on biodiversity and increase related volunteering and community resilience.</p> <p>Raise awareness of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. positive action around reducing emissions and the circular economy; and</li> <li>2. actions that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation that can be taken in the relevant Livingston areas.</li> </ol> <p>Collaborate to develop briefings for key community organisations on climate issues, develop resources communities can access.</p> <p>Support local organisations, groups and residents to identify what can be done locally and deliver associated projects.</p> <p>Carry out local engagement utilising resources designed around climate action.</p> <p>Raise awareness, reduce stigma and promote the use of reusable period products within the relevant Livingston areas.</p>	<p><b>Community Wealth Building Team (Regeneration)</b></p> <p><b>West Lothian Climate Action Network (WLCAN)</b></p> <p>Community Councils</p> <p>VSGWL</p> <p>Nature Scotland</p> <p>WL College</p> <p>Skills Development Scotland</p> <p>Job Centre Plus</p> <p>Local Schools</p>	<p>LOIP Pillar Working Group</p>	<p>LOIP Pillar: Creating Net Zero Carbon Communities</p>

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Delivery of employability interventions in the relevant Livingston areas aimed at providing access to opportunities.	Target support and interventions to those who are unemployed or underemployed. Integrate employability support into partner activity.	<b>West Lothian Council Economic Development</b> <b>Education Services</b> <b>West Lothian College</b> <b>Skills Development Scotland</b> <b>Department of Work and Pensions</b>	LOIP Pillar Working Group	LOIP Pillar: Creating Skills and Jobs
Tackling the determinants of poverty.	Integrate anti-poverty work in the area, support communities to engage with available services and provide support to deliver the Anti-Poverty Action Plan.	<b>Tackling Poverty Taskforce</b> Third Sector Community Wealth Building Team (Regeneration) Communities	Tackling Poverty Strategy Local community engagement	Tackling Poverty Strategy
Increased community response and support for homelessness.	Reduce the stigma of homelessness by raising community awareness through local engagement sessions.  Develop local Third Sector role to support tenancy sustainment and integration in communities.  Identify and involve wider partners with front line staff who engage with the public to share the housing options message.	<b>Housing, Customer &amp; Building Services</b> <b>Community Regeneration, Health and Social Care Partnership</b>  Local third sector organisations	LOIP Pillar Working Group	LOIP Pillar: Creating Affordable and Sustainable Housing



# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
<p>Increased decision making and engagement for key projects within the community.</p> <p>Build community capacity to support the community to have a voice in decision making.</p>	<p>Explore community choices for locally identified projects encouraging decision making at a local level using best practice and embedding CLD practices as part of that process.</p> <p>Work with local groups and schools to ensure they are involved in any decision making at a local level for example:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Common Good Sites</li> <li>2.Derelict sites</li> <li>3.Participatory budgeting</li> </ol>	<p><b>Community Wealth Building Team</b></p> <p>West Lothian Council Property Services</p>	<p>Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015</p>	<p>Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015</p> <p>West Lothian CLD Plan</p>

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

Multiple Area actions (involving two or more Livingston regeneration areas)

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Improved access to key services that support people's well-being, employability and income maximisation.	<p>Delivery of outreach sessions with a focus on the determinants of child poverty and anti-poverty interventions in:</p> <p>Ladywell</p> <p>Knightsridge</p> <p>Deans</p> <p>Dedridge</p> <p>Provision of community outreach sessions aligned to community need in Livingston North.</p> <p>Further identification of services required locally, aligned to community needs, and ensuring local provision is focussed on tackling inequalities.</p> <p>Encourage links with the relevant local food projects to ensure provision to those in need of support.</p>	<p><b>Tackling Poverty Taskforce</b></p> <p><b>Community Wealth Building</b></p> <p>Social Policy</p> <p>Access2employment</p> <p>Local community organisations</p>	<p>Local Child Poverty Index statistical analysis</p> <p>Prevention and early intervention group</p> <p>Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge Services Group</p>	<p>LOIP Pillar – Improving Health &amp; Wellbeing</p> <p>LOIP Pillar – Creating Skills and Jobs</p>
Community Sports Hubs link their activity to regeneration areas, encouraging participation locally.	Development of Livingston South Community Sport & Wellbeing Hub and targeted work in Craigshill.	<p><b>Active Schools &amp; Community Sport Service</b></p> <p><b>Livingston South Community Sport &amp; Wellbeing Hub</b></p>	<p>Sportscotland funding</p> <p>Place-Based Investment Fund</p>	LOIP Pillar – Health & Wellbeing

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Young people across Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge are kept safe and supported through street work.	Delivery of outreach youth work programme.  Street Work service responsive to antisocial behaviour issues.	<b>The Vennie</b> <b>West Lothian Youth Action Project</b>  CLD Youth Services	Recent fire-raising and other antisocial behaviour activity within these areas.	Community Safety Board performance indicators
Adults from the Livingston regeneration areas have improved literacy, numeracy and digital skills and have increased their confidence.	Delivery of additional adult learning programmes in the Livingston regeneration areas.	<b>Adult Learning</b>  Community Centres	Adult Learning Team Plan	LOIP Pillar – Creating Skills and Jobs  West Lothian CLD Plan  Adult Learning Strategy Scotland 2022-27
The environment is improved in Livingston's areas.	Local activity is developed to improve the environment in the regeneration areas.  Sustaining West Lothian Litter Pickers activity in established areas.  Delivery of community garden projects in the Knightsridge, Ladywell, Dedridge and Craigshill areas.	West Lothian Litter Pickers (WLLP)  Local community organisations	Community engagement	LOIP Pillar – Creating Net-Zero Carbon Communities  LOIP Pillar – Health & Wellbeing
Increased partnership working between services and the community.  Improved communication between services and the community.	Facilitation of locality planning steering groups.	<b>Community Wealth Building Team</b>  Transform Craigshill  Ladywell Regeneration Group  Dedridge Regeneration Group  Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge Services Group	Community Engagement  Partner organisations and services	Community Empowerment (Scotland Act) 2015

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Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Community capacity is sufficient to enable the community's voice to be heard and local projects which respond to community need to be delivered.	Support existing community councils in Carmondean and Ladywell to sustain membership, remain active, and participate in locality planning.	<b>Local community councils</b> Local regeneration groups Community Wealth Building Team	Both community councils have stated they require additional members to remain quorate.	Community Empowerment (Scotland Act) 2015
Existing services being delivered to meet community needs are sustained.	Existing projects are supported to work in partnership, develop services in response to changing needs and obtain the required funding.	<b>Community Wealth Building</b> <b>Key community organisations</b> Local regeneration groups	Existing provision and funds supporting these communities	
Gain a better understanding of the health indicators and what they mean for Livingston.	Profile health indicators and local intelligence, including SIMD, to identify what are the health issues in Livingston.  Work with partners to identify ways to address issues raised through further research and engagement.	<b>Community Wealth Building</b> NHS Lothian Public Health Team	Local data	LOIP Pillar – Health & Wellbeing

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

The following table provide details on actions which are specific to one community only.

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Improving mental health amongst families in Deans.	Investigate options for promoting local mental health support in Deans.	<b>Local schools</b>	Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge Services Survey	LOIP Pillar – Health & Wellbeing
Any suitable childcare opportunities are in place in Deans and Knightsridge to support parental employability.	Explore options for improving childcare options in Deans to support employability.	<b>Community wealth Building Team</b> Access2employment Education Services	Community engagement Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge Services Survey Employability Services	LOIP Pillar – Creating Skills and Jobs
The Deans community has a voice in decision making and can deliver projects which meet the community's needs.	Exploring options for community capacity building in Deans.	Community Wealth Building Deans, Carmondean and Knightsridge Services Group	Community Wealth Building	Community resilience and empowerment
Greater understanding of the issues affecting residents within the Fells Rigg (bottom 20%) datazone in Carmondean.	Engagement with the community and key partners with responsibilities in the area.	<b>Community Wealth Building</b> Education Housing Services Other partners	Local data	
Lower cost provision of food and clothing is available in Ladywell.	Explore options for initiating a new community fridge project.  Continuation and sustainability of other community initiatives to mitigate poverty locally.	<b>Ladywell Regeneration Group</b>  Local groups and schools	Ladywell Regeneration Group	Tackling Poverty Taskforce LOIP Pillar – Creating Skills and Jobs
Crofthead Farm Community Centre is sustained and developed.	Creation of a SCIO.  Development of activities including the community garden project.  The feasibility of a Community Asset Transfer is explored and significant funding is secured to redevelop the facility.	<b>Crofthead Community Centre Management Committee</b>  Community Wealth Building	West Lothian Council Community Asset Transfer Policy	Community Empowerment (Scotland Act) 2015

# Livingston Regeneration Areas Locality Plan – Action Plan

Change/ Outcome/ Objective	Action	Lead Agency (bold) Other partners	Where does action area come from	Links
Dedridge's community assets are utilised to the benefit of the local community.	Lanthorn Community Centre is supported to reopen, delivering services and activities which support local people.	<b>Lanthorn Community Centre</b> <b>Housing, Customer and Building Services</b>	Closure of facility due to RAAC roof issues and ongoing work to replace roof.	LOIP Pillar – Health & Wellbeing LOIP Pillar – Creating Skills and Jobs
An increase in physical activity and sport engagement for those within target groups in Craigshill	Clubs are supported to identify and remove barriers to participation for target populations within the Craigshill community.  Impact measured across identified key national and local outcomes.	<b>Active Schools and Community Sport Service</b>  SportsScotland  Local WLC Active Assured Accredited sports clubs	Lack of local residents participating in sport  Asset of West Lothian wide sports clubs being based within Craigshill.	LOIP Pillar – Health & Wellbeing
Craigshill's community assets are utilised to the benefit of the local community.	Ensure new and existing key community assets are integrated to meet the needs of the local community.  Ensure activity delivered within key community organisations is aligned to community need.	Education Services  Community Wealth Building	Community Engagement activity	

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