What is the Local Community Plan?

In April 2003, the Government placed a duty on all local Councils and their partner agencies to work together with local people to develop Local Community Plans. Local Community Plans aim to improve the quality of life for people living in local communities, by making services, projects and initiatives more responsive to local needs. The Dundee Partnership is committed to placing communities at the heart of community planning. This will be done by finding out the most important needs and issues that require to be addressed, and of communities in the East End. Over this period over fifty actions were identified and achieved and one or two are still being progressed. Examples of successful actions include:

- Developing a BMX track for local youngsters from Douglas.
- Helping local people access job opportunities at the recently built Morrison’s Supermarket.
- Providing a purpose built wheelchair sports facility for young people in Finlathen Park.
- Converting a piece of unused land into a Village Green in Mid Craigie.
- The East End area comprises the following recognised community areas of the city: Linlathen, Mid Craigie, Douglas, Craige, Craigbank, Craigiebarns, and Gottenstone. These are the areas covered by the East End Community Planning Partnership. This body meets quarterly to discuss issues and monitor progress of the Community Plan. Details of venues and dates are available from the contact at the end of brochure.

Where has the Community Plan come from?

The Local Community Plan for the area comprises the South East, which operated from 2004–2007. The plan detailed the actions that agencies would have to respond to the needs and aspirations of communities in the East End. The Local Community Plan lists the changes, developments and improvements that local residents would like to see. In order to do this, local residents’ views were gathered and priorities were identified. There have been many opportunities for local people to say how they feel about living in the East End and express how they feel the area should be improved. Although they haven’t been able to speak to everyone, we have gathered information in a variety of ways. These included:

- Over 200 postal surveys were distributed and many of these were completed.
- Tenants and Residents Groups were asked their views.
- Surveys were done using areas of heavy local footfall (e.g. near Post Offices).
- Opportunities were taken of surveying people at large public events e.g. festivals.
- Consultation was done separately with over 300 local young people.
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- A Community Safety survey was done.
- Anyone who said they wanted to see the draft plan will be invited to a special event close to publication date.

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**Environment**
The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Environmental priorities by:
- Reducing the incidence of litter, rubbish, graffiti and fly-tipping by raising awareness about reporting mechanisms and providing local residents with information and support
- Increasing local residents’ awareness of planned improvements and repairs to roadways and footpaths, and the mechanisms that exist for reporting defects
- Increasing community involvement in the development of public open spaces
- Supporting funding bids to improve the quality of the environment and enhance the use of the Dighty area for recreational and educational purposes
- Improving access, signs, pathways and seating in the Dighty Valley area
- Raising local residents’ awareness of the Environmental Wardens Scheme

**Health and Care**
The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Health and Care priorities by:
- Increasing East End residents’ uptake of local services and activities which promote good health
- Developing a range of opportunities for local residents to participate in activities which will improve their physical health
- Increasing the availability of health information and encouraging secondary school pupils to get involved in healthy living activities
- Ensuring local families who are affected by the drug misuse of others to get access to appropriate forms of support
- Developing a range of opportunities for health agencies to work together on specific health issues identified through the local community planning process

**Lifelong Learning**
The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Health and Care priorities by:
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**Work and Enterprise**
The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Work and Enterprise priorities by:
- Improving local residents’ access to local services and activities which promote good health
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**HOW TO GET INVOLVED?**
If you wish to contribute to community planning you can do so by contacting the named person below.
The East End Community Planning Partnership is responsible for implementing the actions contained in the plan and you can attend any of the meetings which are open to the public. Details of dates, times and venue from the Communities Officer whose contact details are listed below:

Your elected representatives for the East End Ward can attend Community Planning Partnership meetings and they may be contacted with issues which may be appropriate for discussion at these meetings.

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