

LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN SUMMARY

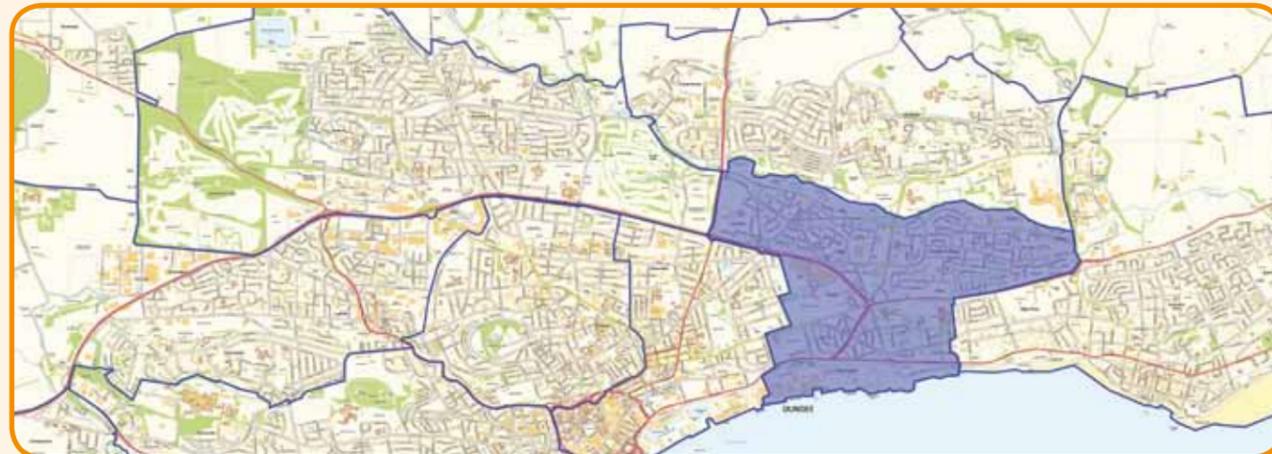
What is the Local Community Plan?

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 working together with local people to build strong, safe and attractive communities.

east end area map



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

The first Local Community Plan for the East End (formerly known as the South East) operated from 2004 - 2007. This plan detailed the actions that agencies would have to respond to the needs and aspirations 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 wheeled sports facility for young people in Finlathen Park,
- Converting a piece of unused land into a Village Green in Mid Craigie.

This leaflet is a summary of the second local plan 2008 - 2011. The plan is targeted around six themes that the Scottish Government and Dundee Partnership have prioritised. They are:

- Building Stronger Communities
- Community Safety
- Dundee's Environment
- Health and Care
- Lifelong Learning
- Work and Enterprise



THE EAST END AREA

The East End area comprises the following recognised community areas of the city:

- Linlathen
- Mid Craigie
- Douglas
- Craigie
- Craigiebank
- Craigiebarns
- Gotterstone

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 lists the changes, developments and improvements that local residents would like to see. In order to do this, local residents' views were gathered and analysed.

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 can be improved. Although we 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 randomly throughout the area..
- 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
- Community Groups were consulted.
- Meetings were held with local stakeholders.
- Consultation was done separately with over 300 local young people
- 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.

The information gathered from the above consultations combined with strategic information from key partners, including NHS Tayside, Tayside Police and others allows key outcomes to be identified.

Building Stronger Communities

The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Building Stronger Communities priorities by:

- Supporting East End residents to form appropriate representative structures to link their aspirations to the work of the Local Community Planning Partnership
- Providing community groups with information, support and access to resources to enable them to identify and address local issues
- Creating opportunities for the involvement of local residents in community affairs through round table meetings, festivals, galas and other appropriate events, encouraging community spirit and active citizenship
- Supporting local groups to produce community newsletters to better inform East End residents about local area developments
- Involving young people in the development of a youth work service which is responsive to their needs
- Supporting young people to participate in the community planning process and ensure decisions are made with appropriate levels of consultation and involvement
- Increasing local residents' access to the services they need to improve their personal circumstances

Community Safety

The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Community Safety priorities by:

- Developing local community safety groups and assisting them to identify and address local community safety issues, and plan events to reduce the fear of crime
- Establishing the extent to which youth disorder is an issue in the East End area and developing an appropriate range of responses
- Maintaining provision for diversionary youth work activities, particularly to combat the illegal use of motorbikes
- Implementing home safety checks for the vulnerable residents in the community to improve their safety



- Increasing support for individuals and families to ensure they are able to cope with the effects of drug and alcohol misuse
- Improving pedestrian safety to key parts of the East End and improving car parking facilities

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, signage, 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 (continued)

- Developing an adult guidance service for local residents to enable them to make informed choices about access to further and higher education, work or training opportunities
- Encouraging partner agencies to work together to identify and respond to adult learning needs
- Establishing the extent to which learning activities can be extended to other local venues to improve East End residents' access to learning opportunities
- Further developing libraries as a resource for family learning

Work and Enterprise

The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Work and Enterprise priorities by:

- Improving local residents' access to skill enhancing activities to enable them to improve their employment prospects
- Providing local unemployed young people with opportunities to become involved in activities which will lead to volunteering or employment
- Encouraging agencies to work together to make use of empty shop premises to develop sheltered employment opportunities
- Using innovative employment schemes to provide work experience placements for young people
- Promoting awareness of local job clubs and an increased uptake in the services provided therein
- Ensuring employment services agencies work together to enable local residents to take advantage of training and employment opportunities

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 their 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.

Their contact details are as follows:

	phone
Councillor William Dawson	433375
Bailie George Regan	434973
Councillor Christina Roberts	433365

Alternatively you can get in touch with any of the community groups in your area or come along to a number of events, which are held all year round including gala days and other community activities.

For further information please contact your
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- LINLATHEN
- MID CRAIGIE
- DOUGLAS
- CRAIGIE
- CRAIGIEBANK
- CRAIGIEBARNES
- GOTTERSTONE



Lifelong Learning

The East End Community Planning Partnership aims to deliver its Lifelong Learning priorities by:

- Improving the uptake of learning opportunities by providing residents with better information about local community learning and development provision