



Our North East Community Plan

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What are Local Area Committees (LACs)?

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Local Area Committees (LACs) are a way for people to make a difference in their area and communities. The LACs are an opportunity for people to get involved, say what is great about their area, what improvements they would like to see and what matters to them and their community.

LACs are a chance for people to influence decision making, share their opinion and contribute to positive changes in their community.

The North East LAC has a budget of £100k to develop and deliver the priorities that have been outlined by the community in recent consultation.

LACs will work together with partners and stakeholders to link services and operate effectively in line with the needs of the community to deliver the priorities.

Further details of the LACs roles and responsibilities can be found on the Sheffield City Council website;
<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/local-area-committees>

A video is available about LACs
[BSL - Local Area Committees - YouTube](#)

Other funding available for 2022/23;

Ward Pots is available to support voluntary, community and faith sector groups and organisations for individual ward led priorities.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is available to undertake specific ward projects that meet the priorities of the individual wards.

Fly-tipping and graffiti fund is available to undertake projects to address fly-tipping and graffiti across the area and focus on hot spots identified as a priority.



Who is the committee?

The Local Area Committee consists of twelve elected members for the four wards in North East Sheffield. This includes a Chair and a Vice Chair who are elected by the LAC. Our Chair for the North East is Councillor Garry Weatherall and our Vice Chair is Councillor Talib Hussain.



Who else is involved?

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The LAC is supported by a small team of officers that consists of a Manager Lindsey Hill, Communities Services Officers Dan Whittaker and Katie Townend, Project Support Officer Ameer Hussain, Community Development Workers Michelle Dwaine and Hasan Iqbal, a Secretary and various other supporting staff. Officers are not formally part of the LAC memberships

Further details and contact information can be found on our website.

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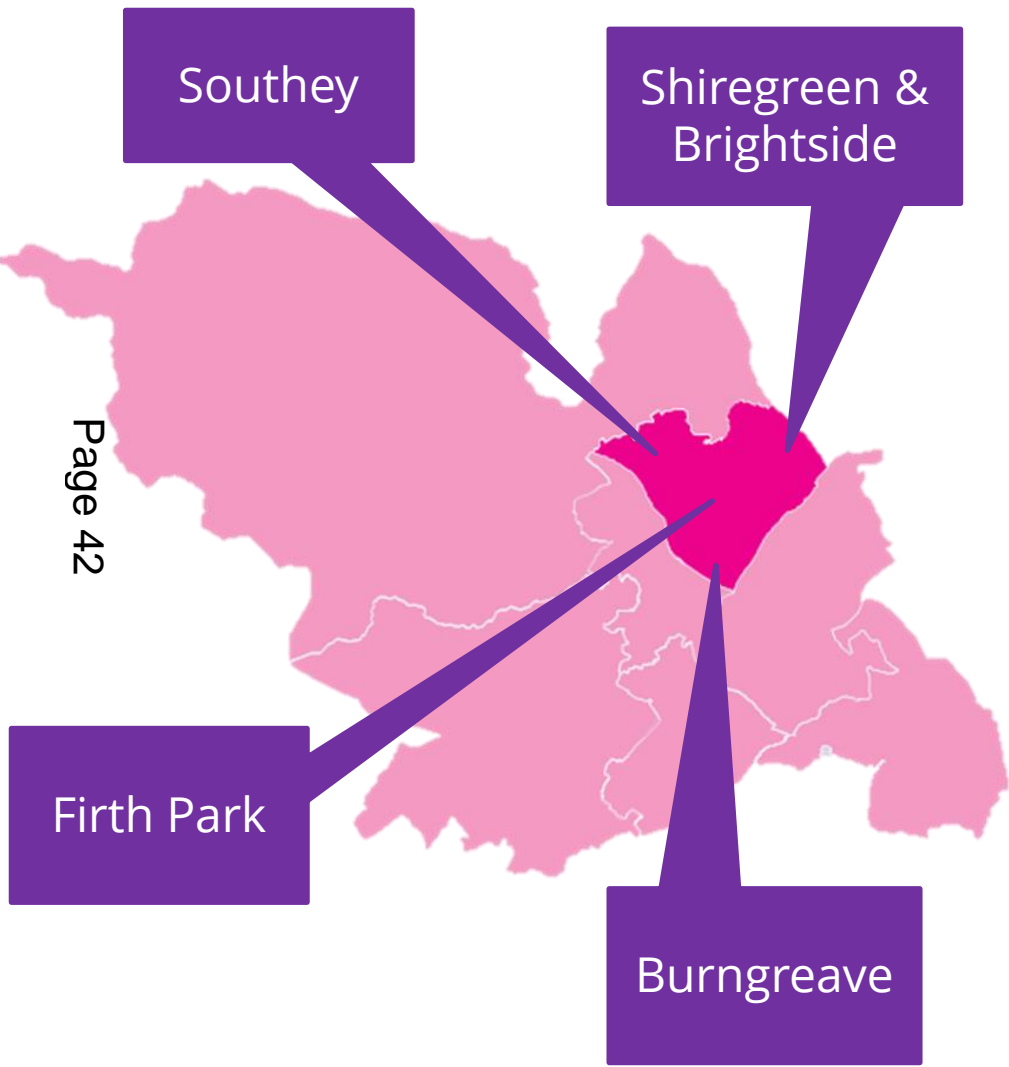
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About the North East

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The North East is one of seven Local Area Committees in Sheffield and consists of four wards, as shown on the map.

Unsure which ward you're in?

Find out by using the map on:

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/north-east-local-area-committee>



The North East has a population of **93,749**. The area has a diverse population of people with different cultural backgrounds, languages, ethnicities, and religions.

We have some amazing parks such as Firth Park, Concord, Longley, Parson Cross, Parkwood Springs and Abbeyfield, some of which have historical features and green and open spaces.

The area has some thriving local shopping centres like Firth Park, Spital Hill and Kilner Way with lots of residents choosing to shop locally in their neighbourhoods.

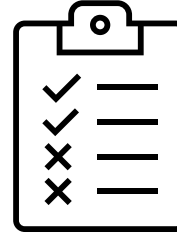
Just under **50%** of people in the North East own their homes, around **10%** rent from private landlords and the remainder live social housing. Over **71%** of people who responded to our survey had lived in the area for over 10 years with generations of families living in the area.

What we have been doing?

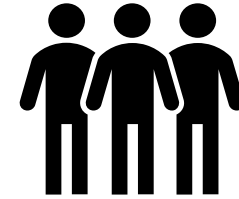




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Survey responses include 437 online and 210 paper surveys



Meetings and walkabouts with key community partners and groups.



Visits, Pop ups and drop in's at local places.



Campaign targeting young residents to hear their voice.

Engagement

We have worked to engage with our diverse communities to inform and shape our Community Plan. This has included conversations with both individuals and voluntary, community and faith sector organisations who work with those who are less likely to have their voice heard. Some citywide engagement work was also undertaken by Sheffield Equality Partnership.

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As specific projects and areas of work within our Community Plan are progressed, we will carry out further community engagement, monitoring and evaluation as required. We will undertake proportionate Equality Impact Assessments to inform the development of projects and areas of work, to ensure we proactively respond to the council's duty to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation; advance equality of opportunity; and foster good relations. Where appropriate, this will include targeted work with specific groups of people with shared characteristics, for example age, ethnicity or sexual orientation (defined as "protected characteristics" in the Equality Act 2010) to help us understand both needs and impact.

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The 8 Themes

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**Business,
Employment &
Skills**



**Health &
Wellbeing**



Environment



**Children,
Young People
& Families**



**Community
Safety & Crime**



**Transport &
Highways**



**Parks & Open
Spaces**



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Business, Employment & Skills



What you said:

- ❑ Improve local shops, surrounding areas and security of businesses
- ❑ Provide opportunities to hold local markets and encourage more independent shops – not take aways
- ❑ Vacant commercial properties or in poor standard – investment and regeneration
- ❑ Increase Hospitality businesses with more pubs and restaurants
- ❑ Continue to support and provide advice for businesses
- ❑ Provide support and encourage new businesses – start up
- ❑ Create opportunities to develop business forums
- ❑ More post offices and non-charging cash machines
- ❑ Create more opportunities for people living in the area for employment
- ❑ Support local people with skills and development – increasing community learning



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Improve local shopping areas and amenities

We will:

- Help work together to tackle commercial properties that are of poor standard or vacant
- Explore options to increase the variety of businesses particularly independent pubs and hospitality
- Work together to help hold local markets and events in the area
- Increase people's access to post offices and non-charging cash machines

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Priority 2 - Help and support retain existing businesses and encourage new ones

We will:

- Help people who want to start a new business by promoting and providing support and information
- Join up services to help support new and existing businesses to be successful
- Create and support business forums for networking and support
- Provide more support and advice to people to help make their businesses more secure



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Work together to help support people to be more digitally aware and included

We will:

- Help people be more digitally included and develop their digital skills
- Work together to increase the access people have to digital technology ensuring they are inclusive to all
- Work with partners to improve the connectivity and provision in the area

Priority 4 – Support and improve skills for employment

We will

- Work together to prevent and support people from becoming NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training)
- Help and encourage local businesses to employ local people
- Deliver and increase access to more internship and apprenticeships for people
- Promote and hold job and skills fairs in the local area



Health & Wellbeing

What you said:

- Difficult to access services, particularly GP surgeries
- Better leisure and sports facilities that are accessible and open to everyone and more classes and activities in the evenings locally
- Improve and invest in leisure facilities and more outdoor sports facilities
- Consider the impact of loneliness and isolation increasing support and activities
- Support vulnerable people to remain and live independently and help them take more responsibility of their own health
- Do more prevention and intervention work to support people in crisis and help people improve their mental health
- Providing more joined up support for frail and elderly people, increasing help with basic household tasks like gardening and DIY
- Reduce the gap in health inequality and poverty and help people in fuel poverty
- Provide support and help for people with drug and bad money management
- Support and provide facilities/services for people who are neurodivergent raising awareness
- Install more defibrillators across the area
- More support and help for unpaid carers





Our Priorities

Priority 1 - Help and support people to live a independent, fulfilled and happy life

We will:

- Carry out a campaign to help raise awareness and reduce loneliness and isolation
- Explore ways to help people live independently and reduce hospital admissions, improve access to GP's and adapt people's homes
- Provide more defibrillators across the area to help reduce the risk of people dying from heart attacks
- Work together to help improve people's mental health and break down the stigma and raise awareness

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Priority 2 – Encourage and work together to help improve access to health services for all

We will

- Help provide services that are joined up and work around the person to deliver the best outcomes
- Promote and communicate services and help available to people
- Work with local GP surgeries to increase the accessibility to appointments and referrals
- Identify people who are not accessing medical services and encourage them to do so



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Improve leisure and sports facilities meeting the needs of all and are inclusive

We will:

- Help deliver the sports and leisure review following consultation
- Promote and communicate activities across the area
- Work together to encourage people to live healthy lifestyles and increase wellbeing through creating initiatives
- Help people with disabilities access or volunteer to take part in sports and activities

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Priority 4 – Work together providing more joined up support for vulnerable people

We will

- Work together to become dementia friendly supporting carers and families of people living with dementia and training for awareness
- Provide more support for carers especially those who are unpaid
- Deliver more prevention and intervention work to support people who are most vulnerable and help them access services
- Work together to tackle housing issues causing health and wellbeing issues



Environment



What you said:

- ❑ Promote more responsible dog ownership and increase the number of dog bins
- ❑ Education on litter and recycling and ensure an efficient bin collection service
- ❑ Improve the street scene with better lighting, grass cutting, drainage, repairs, accessibility dropped kerbs, cut/maintain street trees, sweep roads
- ❑ Communicate when street maintenance takes place
- ❑ Deal with public and environmental health issues – pests (rats' infestation), pigeons, etc.
- ❑ Do more for the climate emergency, better air quality and reduce our carbon footprint and pollution
- ❑ Increase street electric vehicle charging points
- ❑ Provide more bins for use across the area
- ❑ Tackle and reduce fly tipping and promote responsible disposal of waste



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Maintain a clean local environment

We will:

- Deliver the fly-tipping and graffiti project, targeting hot spot areas and promote its successes
- Provide more support to litter pickers and volunteers working in the area to tackle litter
- Carry out a campaign working with schools and partners to educate on litter, recycling and its impact on the environment
- Promote more responsible dog ownership and review the number of dog bins and locations across the area
- Raise awareness of how people can report street maintenance and highways issues

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Priority 2 – Work together to promote responsible waste disposal and recycling

We will

- Raise awareness of how to dispose of waste safely and responsibly
- Explore options for a 'bring out your rubbish day' and solutions to help reduce waste
- Potential to increase the recycling and tips facilities in the area
- Promote and communicate recycling and weekly bin collection service



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Help people be more environmentally friendly and sustainable

We will:

- Carry out a campaign on climate change and the impact on the environment
- Promote ways people can be more environmentally friendly in their day to day lives
- Work with developers and housing providers to ensure homes are sustainable and of a high quality
- Explore options for increasing and promoting street electrical vehicle charging points across the area

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Priority 4 – Tackle the environmental health issues across the area

We will

- Continue the work to tackle issues with pests and hot spot areas that cause destruction and nuisance in the area
- Explore options and work together to help improve people's health and standard of the environment they live in
- Carry out a campaign working with partners to educate people on environmental issues and improve their standard of living



Children, Younger Residents & Families

What you said:

- ❑ Continue to provide and increase youth activities and provision
- ❑ Promote and share community activities for families and younger residents
- ❑ Increase the offer of activities for whole families and younger residents, that are affordable
- ❑ Balance the number of affordable groups for parents and earlier years in the daytime, across the city
- ❑ Help to keep younger residents stay safe, including from bullying and cyber-bullying
- ❑ Better use of facilities such as schools and libraries for children, young residents and families
- ❑ Provide basic household skills classes for parents, like cooking, DIY, etc.
- ❑ Support families and who are in crisis, this has been impacted by the reduction of family centres and sure starts
- ❑ Improve school admissions and attainment levels
- ❑ Help work with schools to tackle and prevent exclusions and tackle the causes
- ❑ Help low-income families





Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Improve activities and provision for children, families, and younger residents

We will:

- Map the activities and facilities available to children and families in the area to identify gaps
- Promote activities and provision creating a directory of what is going on
- Work together to increase the activities available to children and families and the affordability of them in the area
- Provide family events and fun days out that are inclusive to all in the local area

Priority 2 – Help younger residents with their aspirations, education & skills

We will

- Work with schools to help improve younger residents' aspirations and promote successful people and role models
- Carry out a review of school admissions and where children live and look at future predicted capacity of schools
- Support schools to identify the causes and help prevent children being excluded



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Improve and increase the youth provision across the area

We will:

- Work together to deliver the Youth Service Review and increase the youth work and youth outreach support
- Consult and talk to younger residents about the provision they would like and ideas they have
- Map youth provision in the area to identify gaps and need
- Provide youth outreach services and ensure they are accessible

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Priority 4 – Support families to ensure that children have a happy and healthy life

We will

- Provide more basic household skills training to parents, such as cooking and DIY
- Work together to ensure families get the support and prevention they need especially in the child's early years
- Promote family and children centres in the area and what they deliver
- Provide and support children that are looked after to be more included and help reduce the number of children in care



Community Safety & Crime



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What you said:

- ❑ More visible policing, seeing and being more aware of Police and Community Safety activity in the local community
- ❑ Reduce anti-social behaviour and supporting young residents by providing activities and focusing on support and prevention
- ❑ Focus on places of concern with higher crime issues and disruptive behaviour
- ❑ Improve communication about what has been done successfully to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour
- ❑ Provide support for and take action to prevent people from becoming repeat victims of crime, including people who suffer domestic abuse
- ❑ Recognise the link between alcohol misuse and community safety issues, including domestic abuse
- ❑ Help make people feel safer on the streets and in the community
- ❑ Help introduce Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and support them
- ❑ Tackle and deal with off-road bikes
- ❑ Reduce anti-social behaviour on dark nights and fireworks providing increased youth activities to help with this



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Make the Police and partners more visible in communities

We will:

- Carry out a targeted community safety campaign, making people more aware of police and community safety activity in the area
- Work with together with the Community Safety Team to ensure the North East Neighbourhood Action Group works as affectively as possible
- Increase engagement with the community and partners to address and identify anti-social behaviour and community safety concerns
- Communicate successes of the police and community safety and promote positivity and build trust with Police

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Priority 2 – Work together to keep crime at a low level and change perceptions

We will:

- Align the Community Safety Plan and the Community Plan priorities for the area and work together to deliver them
- Create an area profile using data and intelligence to identify priorities and hot spot areas
- Work together in partnership to tackle and prevent crimes relating to substance and alcohol abuse
- Explore solutions to reduce and deter organised crime across the area



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Support vulnerable and repeat victims of crime and anti-social behaviour

We will:

- Promote and work together to action online safety and online safeguarding
- Carry out a campaign on domestic abuse to raise awareness
- Work with housing providers to address low-level anti-social behaviour and tenancy issues
- Take action to safeguard vulnerable or younger people who are a high risk of being exploited

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Priority 4 – Tackle anti social behaviour

We will

- Identify repeat criminal and anti-social behaviour and provide early intervention
- Work together to carry out intervention and prevention measures of ASB and increase the use of powers to tackle this
- Carry out a campaign to encourage people to report crime and ASB and give them confidence to do this
- Create a partnership youth action plan to deliver activities for dark nights and target problem areas



Transport & Highways



What you said:

- ❑ Poor parking and parking on pavements making it difficult for people with mobility issues and people using pushchairs
- ❑ Improve road safety and reduce speeding vehicles, especially around schools and busy areas like shopping centres
- ❑ Promote the benefits of active travel – everyday walking and cycling in support of healthy lifestyles
- ❑ Needing more frequent and timely public transport services and improve transport connectivity, ensuring it is affordable for all
- ❑ Better cycling provision and routes into the city centre
- ❑ Improve parking both on streets and car parks in the local community to make them safer
- ❑ Continue to recognise and improve safer junctions and pedestrian crossing helping reduce congestion – increasing speed bumps and speed limits
- ❑ Look at whether closed roads can be reopened for access and traffic flow



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Tackle speeding vehicles and improve roads to make them safer for all

We will:

- Carry out a speed watch and safer roads campaign
- Identify 6 locations within each ward to install Vehicle Activation Sign (VAS) and rotate them around the ward as required
- Use data available from the Police and VAS located around the area to carry out a speeding review
- Increase enforcement of speeding in the area and promote successful penalties and convictions to deter speeding and dangerous driving

Priority 2 – Promote active travel, healthy lifestyles and improve cycling routes

We will:

- Work together to identify and remove barriers to improve active travel
- Promote and communicate the benefits of active travel and everyday walking and cycling
- Explore options to improve cycling provision, safety and routes into the city



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Work with partners to improve public transport and connectivity links

We will:

- Work together with external partners to identify ways to improve transport links and connectivity across the area
- Explore options to improve affordability of public transport especially for people on lower incomes
- Identify gaps and issues with public transport services being delivered in the local area

Priority 4 – Enforce and tackle poor and dangerous parking

We will

- Increase enforcement action on dangerous and illegal parking, targeting schools and local shops
- Explore options to make pavements more accessible to people with mobility issues and pushchairs
- Identify hot spot areas and look at the potential to introduce parking restrictions
- Work together with schools to encourage parents and carers to be more responsible parking and use other healthier ways to travel



Parks & Open Spaces

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What you said:

- Look for ways of improving and promoting open and green spaces and parks amenities and leisure facilities
- Safer parks and open spaces improving the upkeep and maintenance of the parks in the local community
- Protect wildlife habitats
- Help create more community gardens
- Support Friends of Groups in parks
- Places for younger residents in parks 'Hang outs'
- More activities in parks and outdoor gyms
- Healthy walks around parks and open spaces
- Promote the history of the area and its features
- Make better use of spaces and parks and review parks land across the area for better use as some have been neglected
- Plant more trees



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Protect the natural habitat and promote heritage and history

We will:

- Work with communities, landowners and local groups to protect landscape, wildlife and heritage
- Work together to promote green and open spaces and encourage people to use them
- Promote the heritage of open spaces and parks and their wildlife
- Carry out more regeneration work in open spaces, plant more trees and urban wildflower meadows

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Priority 2 – Improve the facilities in parks keeping them maintained and safe

We will:

- Work together to increase and improve facilities in parks and reduce the gap of the standard with other parks across the city
- Promote and encourage more activities and businesses in parks and open spaces
- Increase the number and locations of bins and dog bins
- Create more 'hang out' areas and facilities for younger residents in local parks



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Support more community gardens, friends of groups and allotments

We will:

- Help and support groups and volunteers to set up more community gardens
- Promote allotments and explore options for further allotment sites in the area
- Increase the number of friends of groups and further support existing friends of groups

Priority 4 – Promote healthy lifestyles through use of parks and open spaces

We will:

- Carry out a campaign on healthy walks and routes through our parks and promote walking groups
- Explore options to increase the number of park gyms and activities in parks to improve health
- Work together to make better use of parks and increase family activities



Our Community & Your Home

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What you said:

- Increase the need for more affordable housing
- Maintain community and public buildings and ensure better use of them
- Provide suitable accommodation for older people with support services
- Continue to support voluntary and community groups who are providing services
- Promote groups and ways people can meet up and network, help with the creation of community forums
- Housing tenancy checks and ensure people look after their homes, housing repairs, standard of property and overcrowding
- Better services in libraries, use of the buildings and expanded opening times
- Make it easier for people to report problems to the Council
- Doing more to bring empty houses back into use and working with landlords
- Promote and support a variety of community activities and events working in partnership to create a directory of activity
- Ensure new developments consider the community infrastructure and transport links
- Look for funding opportunities and support voluntary and faith groups
- Improve local amenities and infrastructure



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Make better use of community buildings and services available

We will:

- Promote community buildings and the activities they deliver
- Deliver the libraries review following consultation with communities
- Work together to improve the maintenance and accessibility of community buildings
- Help and support people running community buildings to help them be successful and increase their use

Priority 2 – Help people to shape their local community

We will:

- Promote the area in a positive way and help change perception
- Carry out a campaign to promote togetherness and that people love where they live
- Help and encourage people to become more involved in our community and the ways in which they can do this



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Provide a good mix of decent housing that is affordable across all tenures

We will:

- Work with housing providers and private landlords to ensure people are looking after their homes
- Promote and improve housing for older people and support services
- Work with developments to ensure they consider the local community and infrastructure
- Explore options for better or alternative use of hard to let or long-term vacant properties in the area

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Priority 4 – Work together to promote and help groups working in the local community

We will:

- Help groups to work together and create community forums and networks
- Map local community groups, activities and events to help promote them and create a directory
- Promote funding opportunities available to groups and help them access it
- Provide support for groups to deliver community events and festivals in the area

This document can be supplied in alternative formats, please contact The team to request a copy.

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