

Midlothian

A Great Place to Grow

Improving Opportunities Midlothian (IOM) Partnership

Key Successes and Challenges

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IOM Outcomes – Single Midlothian Plan

- 1. Poverty levels in Midlothian are below the Scottish average**
- 2. Midlothian residents are successful learners and young people go on to positive destinations when they leave learning**
- 3. Reduce health inequalities**
- 4. Citizens are engaged with service development and delivery**

IOM Partnerships and Plans



Key Successes

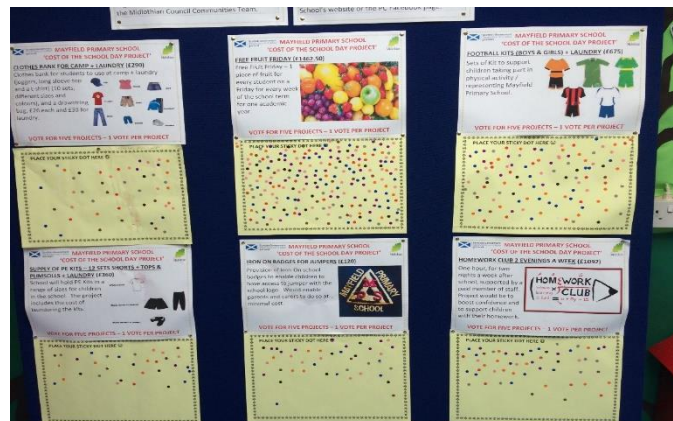
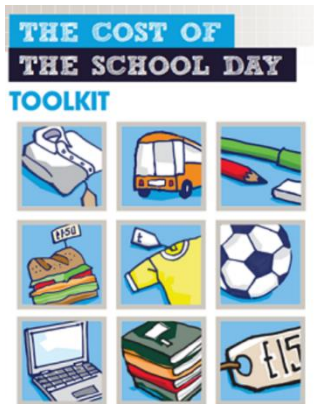
- ML Early Action Partnership - 100 Day mental health project
- Aspiring Communities Project – Woodburn + Dalkeith
- Third Sector Technology Conference
- Child Poverty Action Plan + Cost of School Day Project
- Community Asset Transfer – Penicuik Town hall + Gorebridge Police Station

Challenges







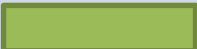

- Poverty levels and child poverty
- Voluntary Sector funding
- Community Empowerment Act implementation – Asset Transfer + Participatory Budgeting
- Community Learning and Development Plan review
- Council community support capacity

Case Study – The Cost of the School Day Project

- £80,000 funding – Scottish Government and Midlothian
- Child Poverty Action Group training
- Pupil focus groups - 2,639 participants in participatory budgeting
- 109 proposed projects – 62 progressed



31 X Performance Indicators

Indicator	Above Target	On Target	Below Target
Welfare advice			
Child Poverty			
Support Into Work			
Volunteering Levels			
Support to Third Sector			
Youth Work Access			
Care Experienced and Transition Support			
Qualification levels (SCQF 1-4)			
Community Engagement	