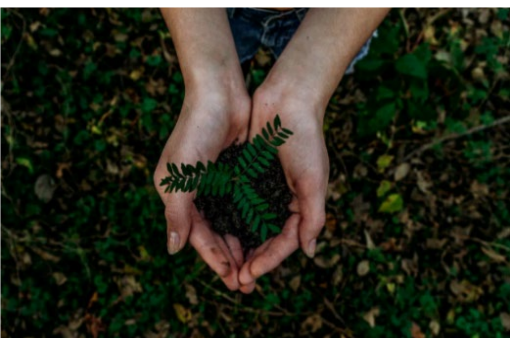




**Midlothian**

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# **Single Midlothian Plan 2022-23**

**Community Planning  
Partnership**

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# Who we are

**Midlothian**

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We are the Community Planning Partnership. We are a group of organisations that make sure you are involved in decisions about public services that affect you.

# What we are trying to do



We want to make Midlothian a place where people and communities will be healthier, safer, greener and more successful by 2030.

# Supporting everyone



Some areas in Midlothian have poorer access to healthcare, education, jobs and shops.

We will work with these areas to make sure they have better access to these things.

# Adult Health & Social Care



## Who they are:

A group of people from Midlothian Council and NHS Lothian who work together to help people get support for their health and social care needs.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- COVID-19.
- More staff.
- Using technology more.



## The data told us:

- There are more people with learning difficulties or autism living in Midlothian.
- Good housing is important.
- We need to help older people spend more time with others.



## Next year we will work on:

- Helping people to know about carers.
- Helping people be active.
- Developing different types of houses for people with Learning Disability and Autism.
- Helping people feel connected to others.
- Training staff to help people who have a disability or who have had trauma.
- Helping children to have a vaccine.
- Helping people who use drugs and alcohol.

# Community Safety & Justice



## Who they are:

A group of people who help people who may commit a crime. They also help people feel safe.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- Making communities safer.
- Helping people when they leave prison.



## The data told us:

- Violent and sexual crime is less than 5% of crime in Midlothian.
- The police were called 572 times to help people who were hurt by their partner.



## Next year we will work on:

- Helping people after they have committed a crime.
- Helping people who have problems with their Mental Health or who use drugs and alcohol.
- Helping people know more about Community Justice.

# Getting It Right for Every Child



## Who they are:

A group of people who make sure everyone working with children work together. They help children and young people have the best possible start in life.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- COVID-19.
- What we have to do by law.
- The Promise.
- Helping families who don't have enough money.



## What the data tells us:

- Children and young people who go to different schools get different grades.
- Less children have free school meals in Midlothian than in other areas.
- Less children and young people were excluded from school than last year.
- Children and young people need help with their mental health.



## Next year we will work on:

- Helping children and young people to be safe and healthy.
- Helping children and young people with their mental health.
- Helping children in school so that the difference in grades between schools is less.

# Improving Opportunities



## Who they are:

A group of people who help communities by supporting businesses and making sure people have enough money.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- COVID -19.
- Helping people have enough money.
- The cost of living.
- Helping people get skills.



## What the data tells us:

- 24% of children live in poverty.
- Foodbanks were asked to help a lot of people because of COVID.
- More than 3,000 people need money to help them as they don't have a job.



## Next year we will work on:

- Making sure families have enough money.
- Helping adults get skills and qualifications.
- Helping people use computers.
- Making it less expensive to go to school.
- Helping people eat well.

# Sustainable Growth: Climate Emergency



## Who they are:

A group of people who help us put less harmful gas into the air.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- Putting less harmful gas into the air.
- What we have to do by law.



## What the data tells us:

- Heating our houses and transport are the main things that make harmful gases.
- We need to make our buildings, roads and power better.
- We need to make our town centres better.
- We need to make it easier to walk, cycle or use the bus.



## Next year we will work on:

- Helping people spend less time getting to the shops, schools, jobs.
- Developing ways to make power without making harmful gas.
- Helping more animals and plants to live here.
- Supporting people to use electric cars.



# Sustainable Growth: Economic Development



## Who they are:

A group of people who work together to help people have more money to enjoy the things they want to do.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- Brexit.
- COVID-19.
- Local and national plans.



## What the data tells us:

- We have different sizes of business.
- More people have jobs than last year.
- Less people don't have a job, compared to other areas of Scotland.



## Next year we will work on:

- Helping business that support local people.
- Helping people who employ other people.
- Helping businesses for tourists.

# Sustainable Growth: Housing



## Who they are:

A group of people who build houses to help people who are homeless and to help people who need help to live on their own.



## People said they would like us to work on:

- Helping people with the cost of their gas and electricity.
- Building more houses that everyone can afford.



## What the data tells us:

- More people need houses.
- We need to build more houses that everyone can afford.



## Next year we will work on:

- Helping people with advice about their house, especially if it helps them stay in their house.
- Building more houses – especially houses for people who use a wheelchair.
- Helping people with the cost of their gas and electricity.