



Single Midlothian Plan

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Community Planning Partnership



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We are.



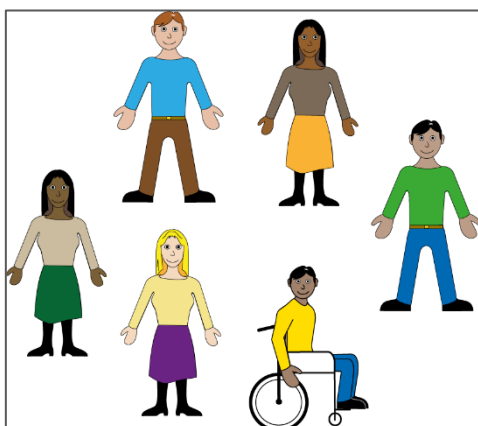
We are a group of organisations called the Community Planning Partnership. We make sure you can be involved in decisions about public services that affect you.

What we are trying to do.



Individuals 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 communities to create plans to make sure they have better access.

Midlothian will be healthier.



Who we are:

Midlothian Council and NHS Lothian work together to help people live well and get the right support when they need it.

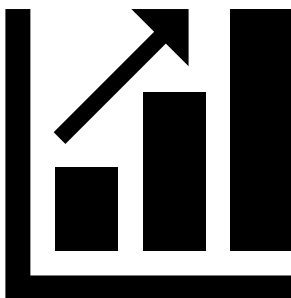


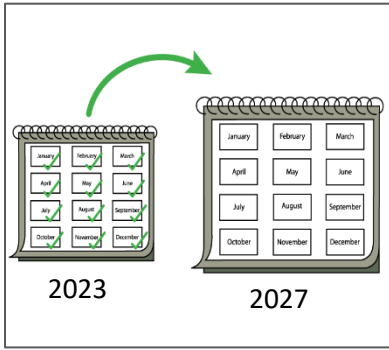
People said they would like us to support:

- Older and vulnerable people.
- People who have problems with their mental health.

The data told us:

- Carers need improved services and support.
- People often go to hospital after they have fallen over.
- An online health advice platform could reduce visits to health services.





We will work on:

- Creating community care and support hubs.
- Try to stop people falling over.
- Creating online health platform for at home help.
- Helping people to feel connected to others.
- Helping a growing and ageing population.

Midlothian will be safer.



Who we are:

A group who help people who may commit a crime and help people feel safe.

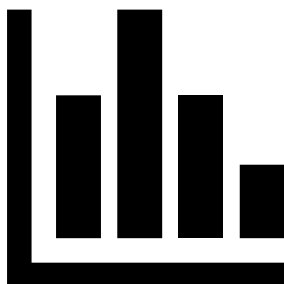


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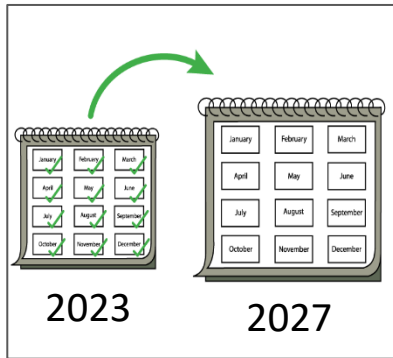
- Support for young people to stop criminal behaviours.
- Support services for people affected by trauma.
- Support services for mental health and people who use drugs and alcohol.

The data told us:

- Overall crime in Midlothian has gone down.
- Non-sexual violent crime has gone up.
- Sexual crime involving technology has gone up.



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.
- Deliver training on trauma to different services.
- Helping people know more about Community Justice.

Midlothian will Get It Right for Every Child.



Who we are:

A group of people who want to make sure children and young people are:

- Safe
- Healthy
- Happy



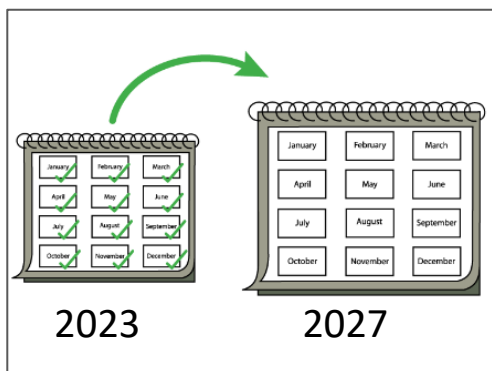
People said they would like us to work on:

- Children and young people's well-being.
- Making sure children and young people are listened to.
- Making sure information and support is easy to access.
- Activities and places for young people.
- Support children who live in poverty.



What the data tells us:

- More children and young people are becoming overweight in Midlothian.
- Some children and young people need to travel longer to access services.
- More children and young people need extra help in school.
- Children and young people need help with their mental health.



We will work on:

- Helping children and young people to be healthy, active, and supported.
- Helping children and young people to do well.
- Helping children and young people be included in decisions.
- Making sure children and young people are safe.

Midlothian will support residents to improve employability and outcomes in communities.



jobcentreplus

Who we are:

A group of people who help communities make things better and help them access jobs and skills.



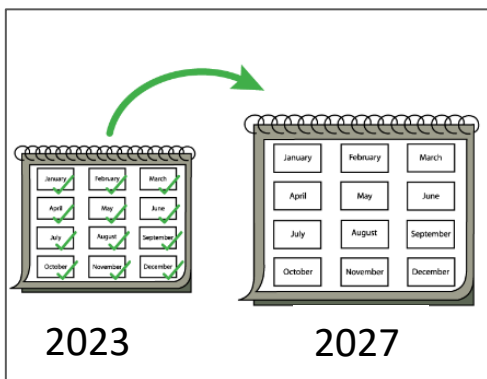
People said they would like us to work on:

- Places in the community for learning.
- Support people into work.
- Helping people with money challenges and the cost of living.
- Helping people get computer skills.



What the data tells us:

- There are less jobs available in Midlothian than the rest of Scotland.
- Some people who work in Midlothian are very low paid.
- People living in Midlothian earn less per week compared to those who live elsewhere in Scotland.
- More people are getting qualifications.
- Lots of young people go into jobs when they leave school.



We will work on:

- Supporting people into work.
- Help people into better paid work.
- Making sure local people help with decision making.
- Helping adults get skills and qualifications.

Midlothian will be greener.



Climate change

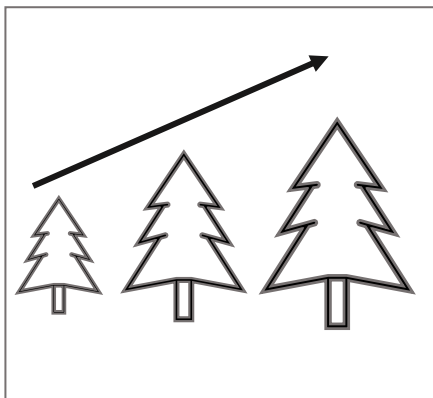
Who we are:

A group of people who make sure we reduce how much harmful gas we put into the air.



People said they would like us to work on:

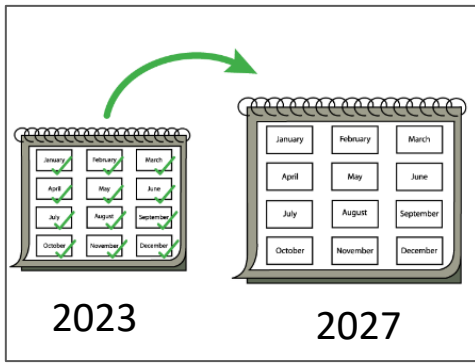
- Better recycling.
- More cycling and walking paths.
- Protection of green spaces.
- More local food growing.



Forest are doing well

What the data tells us:

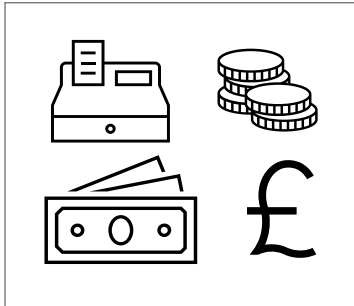
- Heating our houses and transport are the main things that make harmful gases.
- Some of Scotland's protected forests are in good condition.
- Land and water species have declined since 1970.



We will work on:

- Helping people understand sustainability.
- Help people live sustainably.
- Increase home energy savings.
- Developing ways to make power without making harmful gas.
- Increase wildflower and meadow projects in Midlothian.

Midlothian will have a wellbeing economy and be better connected.

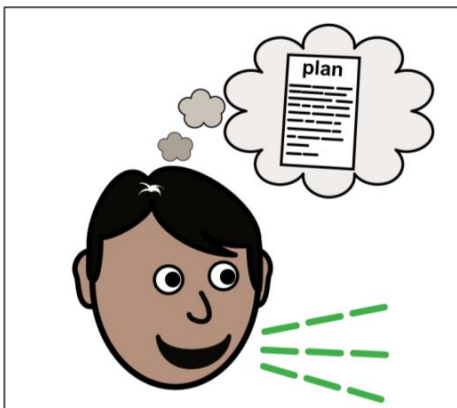


Who we are:

A group of people who work together to make Midlothian's communities more equal.

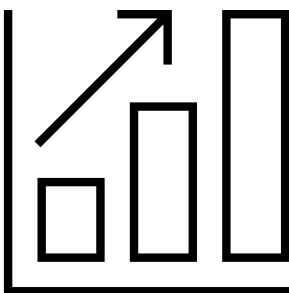
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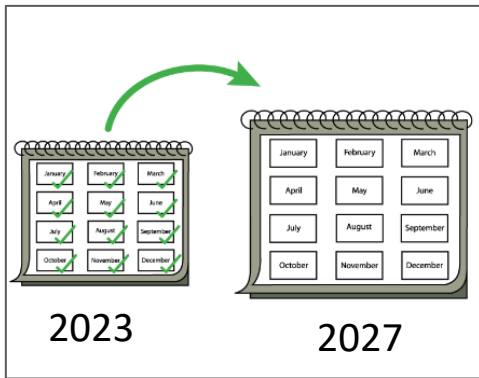
- Support is made for each person.
- Increase fair work.
- More local businesses.
- Support young people to start a business.
- Living wage for all.



What the data tells us:

- There are more businesses in Midlothian since 2021.
- More people have jobs than last year.
- People working in Midlothian earn less than others in Scotland.





We will work on:

- Developing Community Wealth Building.
- Helping people to get the most out of their money.
- Create places for support and information.

Midlothian will work towards reducing poverty.



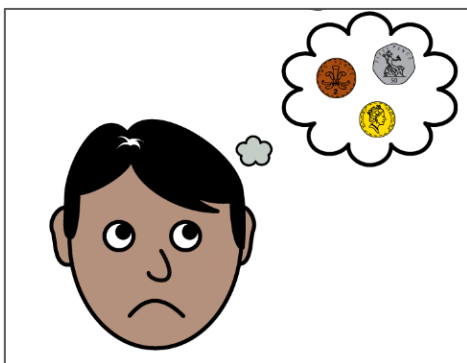
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A group of people who work together to help reduce the number of people who are in poverty.



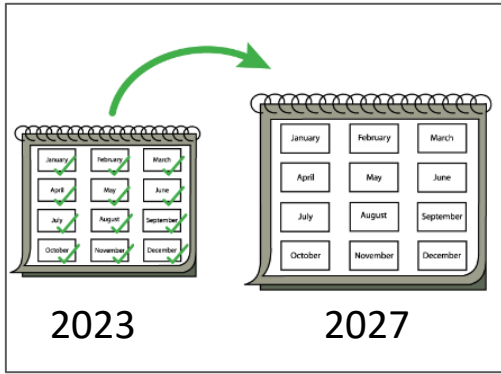
People said they would like us to work on:

- Helping people with the cost of their food and energy bills.
- Better support services.
- Reducing cost of the school day.
- More local credit unions.



What the data tells us:

- People can't afford to heat their homes.
- People don't have money for food.
- Peoples' mental health is poor.
- 3,539 children live in poverty in Midlothian.



We will work on:

- Reducing poverty.
- Helping people with their benefits.
- Helping people access healthy food.
- Create a plan for reducing costs of going to school.