

Locality Plan FAQs

The Community Empowerment Act (Scotland) 2015 places a duty on Community Planning Partners (in East Lothian this is the East Lothian Planning Partnership – ELP) to produce locality plans for areas of deprivation.

Key points from the guidance on locality plans are that:

- The plan should set out clear priorities for improving local outcomes and tackling inequalities and be agreed by Community Planning Partners (CPP) and the community
- The plan will state what will be different for communities as long-term outcomes (10 years) and detail the contributory outcomes, indicators and targets showing progress over the short term (1 year) and medium (3 year) terms. These will be detailed in the appendix of our locality plans.
- East Lothian Partnerships Statutory members are:
 - jointly responsible for ensuring the ELP delivers on commitments in the plan
 - individually responsible for how they act as partners to help ensure that these commitments are fulfilled

Ref: <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2016/12/8801/downloads>

The Role of the Area Partnerships

It is useful here to make the connection between role of the Area Partnerships and Area Plans.

“East Lothian Partnership entrusts the six Area Partnerships to oversee the development and delivery of Area Plans which will contribute to the delivery of the strategic plan, currently The East Lothian Plan - Single Outcome Agreement.

The role of each Area Partnership is to determine local priorities for the Area Plan that are aligned to The East Lothian Plan. Area Partnerships will also provide the principal point of contact for consultation and engagement with communities enabling them to influence The East Lothian Plan and related key strategies and plans”.

(taken from the “role and remit of Area Partnerships)

Who is responsible for producing locality plans?

The Act stipulates that Community Planning Partnerships (ELP) should produce ‘locality plans’ for areas where people experience significantly poorer outcomes resulting from socio-economic disadvantage compared to other people living in the area. The purpose of the locality plan is to:

1. Agree priority outcomes that East Lothian Partnership is committed to improving
2. Detail how East Lothian Partnership will achieve this (improving the outcomes) and
3. Give timescales for doing this

What is the role of the Area Partnerships in producing locality plans?

East Lothian Partnership do not want to re-invent the wheel writing locality plans when there are existing 'Area Plans'. They are proposing to draft locality plans based on the priorities in the Area Plans that are focused on reducing inequalities and target deprivation. See the draft locality plan content outline over the page. This provides a starting point for discussion with each Area Partnership on what they would to have in the locality plan.

How will the locality plans be signed off?

The locality plans will firstly be agreed by the Area Partnership and then agreed by East Lothian Partnership.

Who is responsible for delivering on the outcomes detailed in the locality plan?

East Lothian Partnership are responsible for ensuring that the outcomes are improved and therefore the responsibility for delivering on the actions.

Will this mean that the East Lothian Partnership could access the Area Partnerships budgets to improve outcomes?

No, the budgets will remain in the hands of the Area Partnerships to be spent on local priorities.

Will the locality plan supersede the Area Plan?

No, the locality plan will run parallel with the area plan, allowing community planning partners to focus on the priorities identified in the area plan that are aimed at reducing inequalities.

Timeline for producing locality plans

	Agreed at AP meeting	Agreed at ELP meeting (pending review)
Haddington & Lammermuir Area	15th March 2018	25th April 2018
PSG Ward	7th March 2018	25th April 2018
Musselburgh Area	18th June 2018	27th June 2018
Fa'side Area	5th June 2018	27th June 2018
Dunbar & East Linton Ward	1st October 2018	October 2018

Draft Locality Plan Content

Locality Plan

2018 – 2023

- 1) **New page - Front page**
- 2) **New page - Foreword by AP and ELP Chair**
- 3) **New page - Content page**
- 4) **New page - Introduction**
- 5) **New page - Area Partnership and Locality Based Thinking**
- 6) **New page – How we arrived at this plan (List consultations etc)**
- 7) **New page - East Lothian Plan (2017-2022) Statement of Intent**
- 8) **New page - Our vision for the (Ward)....**
- 9) **New page - Our community Using profile data and info from consultations**
- 10) **New page - Our Priorities and Actions 2 pages max highlighting key strategic local outcomes
addressing socio-economic inequalities**
- 11) **Back page – list AP and ELPartners**

East Lothian Partnership - Member Organisations [currently under review – will need to amend in January]

These are the member organisations across the four board level partnerships:

- Association of East Lothian Community Councils
- Children 1st
- Coalition of Community Care and Support Providers in Scotland
- East Lothian Council
- East Lothian Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board
- Edinburgh College
- ELTRP
- Federation of Small Businesses
- JobcentrePlus / Department for Work and Pensions
- Lothian and Borders Community Justice Authority
- Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce
- NHS Lothian
- Police Scotland
- Queen Margaret University
- Scottish Care Ltd
- Scottish Enterprise
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
- Scottish Natural Heritage
- Skills Development Scotland
- Social Enterprise in East Lothian
- STRiVE
- Visit Scotland