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East Lothian Health and Social Care Partnership, with the support of East Lothian's communities are Planning Older People's Services.

This September community update includes:

- **POPs project progress to date**
- **Identified priorities from options appraisal exercise**
- **Next steps: Public engagement and consultation**
- **How to get involved**



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Progress to date

In our last briefing in July, we detailed the outcomes of the options modelling exercise; where of the 61 short listed options:



16 options are recommended to proceed to the options appraisal.



40 options are regarded as action already underway / business as usual.



5 options are recommended to be withdrawn from further consideration at this point.

[View the POPS – Modelling and Development Summary Report – July 2024 here.](#)

On Tuesday 30 July, 7 project team members and 11 independent community panel representatives took part in the options appraisal exercise, scoring the identified 16 options across three key themes, which were weighted as follows: desirability 35%, feasibility 35% and viability 30%.

Identified priorities

As a result of the options appraisal exercise, the following four priorities were identified:



1. Review of palliative and end of life care throughout East Lothian including development of an end-of-life care sheet. (Option 11 and 14)

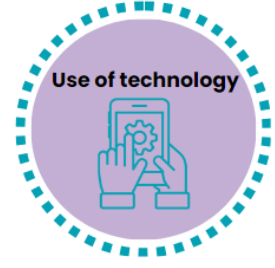


2. Introduction of polypharmacy reviews that are not exclusive to care home settings. (Option 95)

3. Investment in existing intermediate care services, including step-down, and development of new intermediate care approaches. (Option 77, 79 and 80)



4. Explore better use of technology and associated services to allow people to remain within their own homes for longer. (Option 85)



Full details regarding the way in which the options appraisal was carried out, the questions, scoring, weighting and analysis can be viewed in the options appraisal report.

[View the POPS – Options Appraisal Results Report here](#)

Next steps: Public engagement and consultation

The next phase of the Planning Older People’s Services project includes a 12-week engagement programme, commencing on Monday 16 September until Sunday 8 December.

The aim of this final engagement stage is to:

- Present the identified appraisal exercise priorities.
- Encourage comments on the priorities, and the approach taken to the planning of older people’s services project.

How to get involved

We have created a dedicated website www.eastlothian.gov.uk/elhscp/pops which provides full details of the engagement opportunities available.

You can get involved by:



Attending a pop-up event

We will be hosting a series of in-person pop-up events, within each of the major towns in East Lothian. You are welcome to come along and share your feedback in person. We will also have paper copies of our project findings and a feedback form.





Online survey

You can review the Planning Older Peoples Services Project in its entirety and complete our online feedback questions at www.eastlothian.gov.uk/pops-consultation



Send an e-mail

You can share your feedback with us directly via email:
engagement-hscp@eastlothian.gov.uk



Through social media

You can engage with us through social media:
Facebook: [@elhscp](https://www.facebook.com/elhscp) X: [@elhscp](https://twitter.com/elhscp)

Help spread the word

As our community contacts, representatives, and ambassadors, we are looking for your support to help spread the word regarding the upcoming engagement activities.

Could you:

- Add the engagement itinerary as an agenda item at your next meeting?
- Share this email with your contacts / distribution lists?
- Share our social media posts on your own platforms?
- Talk to your colleagues, friends, neighbours, customers, contacts about this project?

We very much appreciate your support throughout this project and look forward to seeing you and/or hearing from you in this final stage of public engagement.



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