



East Lammermuir Local Place Plan 2024-2034 Survey Report

East Lammermuir Community Council

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Introduction

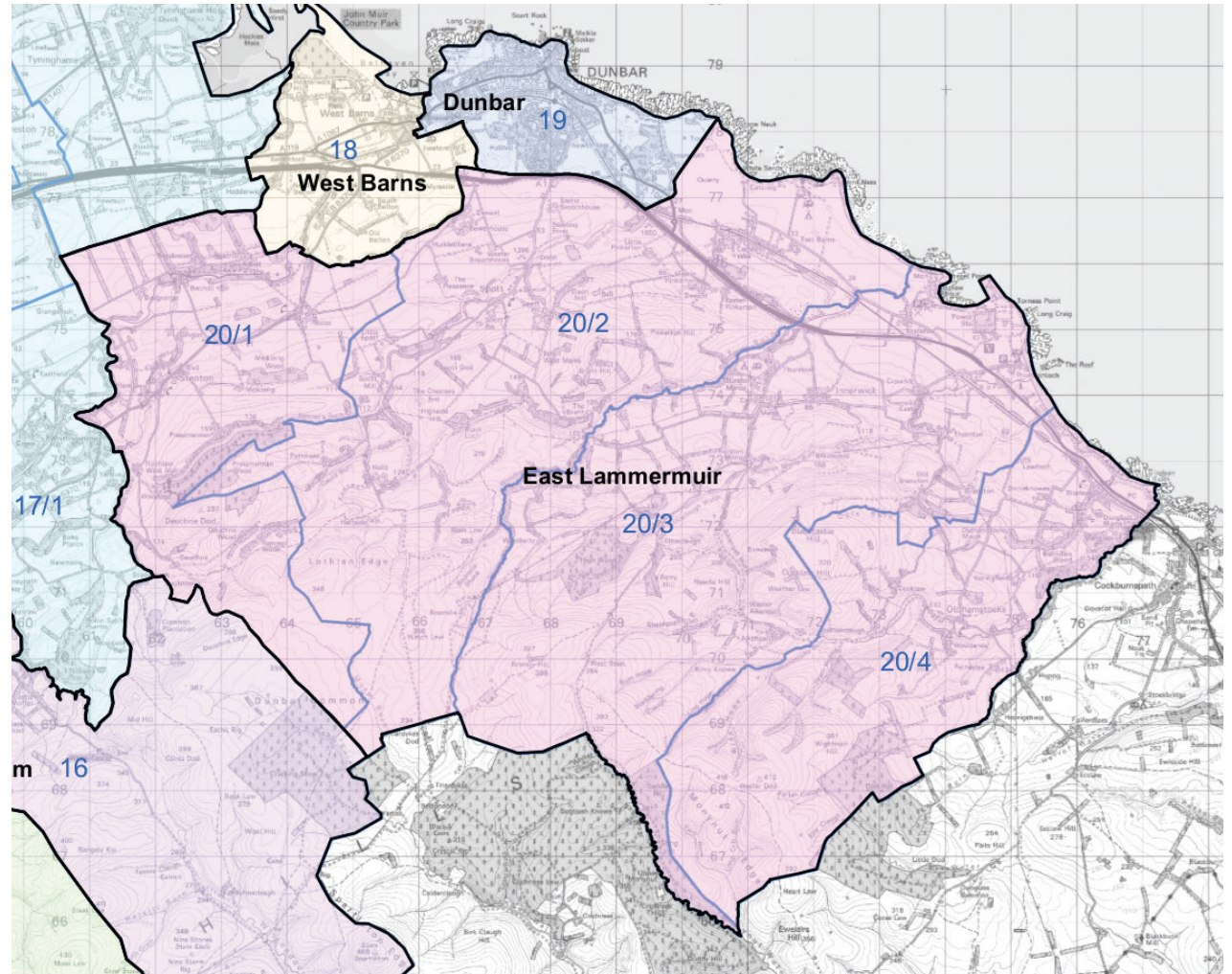
This Draft Survey Report outlines the findings of the East Lammermuir Community Council's questionnaire, providing evidence base for the East Lammermuir Place Plan.

This report has been prepared on behalf of the East Lammermuir Community Council [ELCC] by Sarah McLeary of Smith Scott Mullan Associates.

The questionnaire was live through Autumn 2023. The results form part of the evidence base for the East Lammermuir Place Plan.

This report includes answers which were typed in, however a limited number of responses have been removed to preserve individual anonymity.

Thanks to everyone who helped put the questionnaire together, and who took the time to answer the questions.



Questionnaire

Local Community Councils in Dunbar and (separately) Dunpender had prepared questionnaires for their local populations to inform their own local place plans. These were generously shared as editable documents, and members of the community council with other local volunteers with relevant experience amended the Dunpender questionnaire to fit the needs of East Lammermuir.

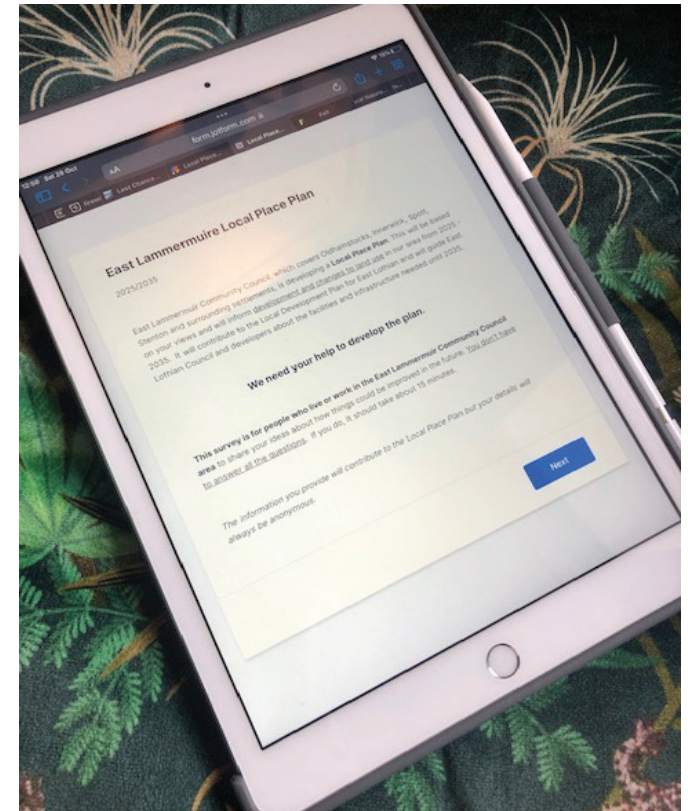
Content was signed off by the ELCC prior to going live on line using an interactive document, and printed copies were placed in each of the four village halls for people who prefer that means of responding.

85 no. questionnaires have been completed and recorded.

The survey results note a range of views from the community, which broadly align with the detailed concerns we heard from the in-person consultation events.

A number of detailed actions for maintenance and safety around specific streets and roads has been noted, and will be collated into an overarching strategy.

The views and comments from the questionnaire will be analysed in more detail on the following pages.



Survey Results

The survey was completed online and on paper by 85 respondents from across East Lammermuir, we thank all for the careful thought they put into their valuable responses.

Redacted, anonymised information has been analysed and forms part of a strong evidence base.

The survey asked questions about

- desired changes,
- sustainability and climate change,
- renewable energy production,
- the green energy infrastructure process.
- health and social care,
- play and community facilities,
- shops and local businesses,
- tourism,
- housing needs today and in the future,
- landscape and open space,
- movement and access,
- walking and cycling

We received responses from a representative selection across the areas in East Lammermuir, and are able to view responses by area, which is helpful to analyse the particular concerns of an area.

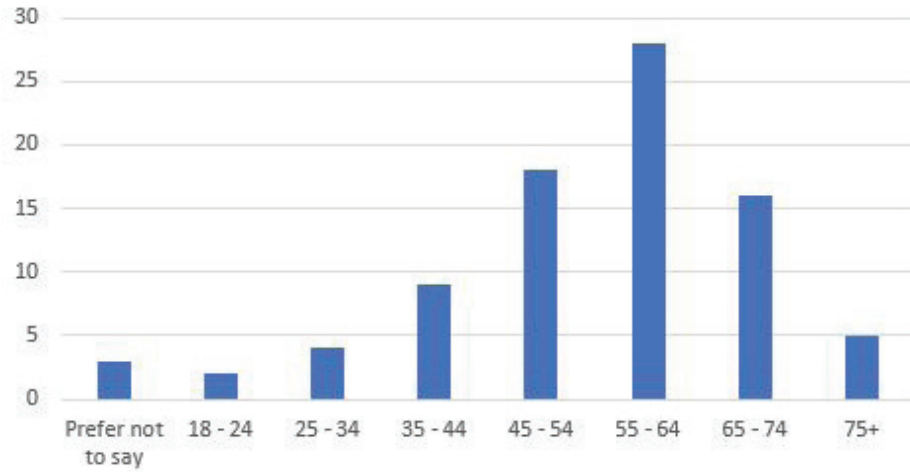
The spread of respondent age skews towards the older demographic, as we expect for a survey of this type and the demographic spread of the area generally.

The Community Council reached out to schools in order to redress this balance.

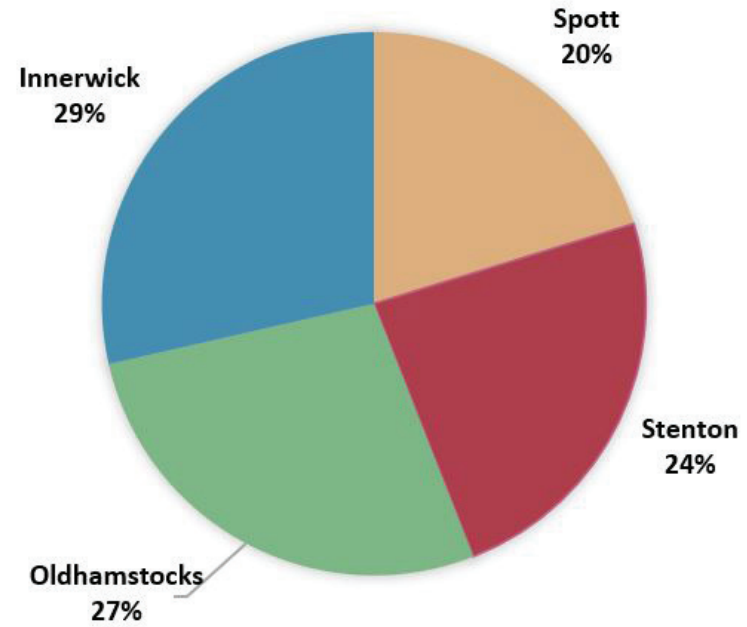
Overall, we see the results of the consultation as representative of the concerns and aspirations of the community as a whole.

Demographics

First, can we ask your age? This will help us understand variations in people's answers.



Please tell us which area you live in:



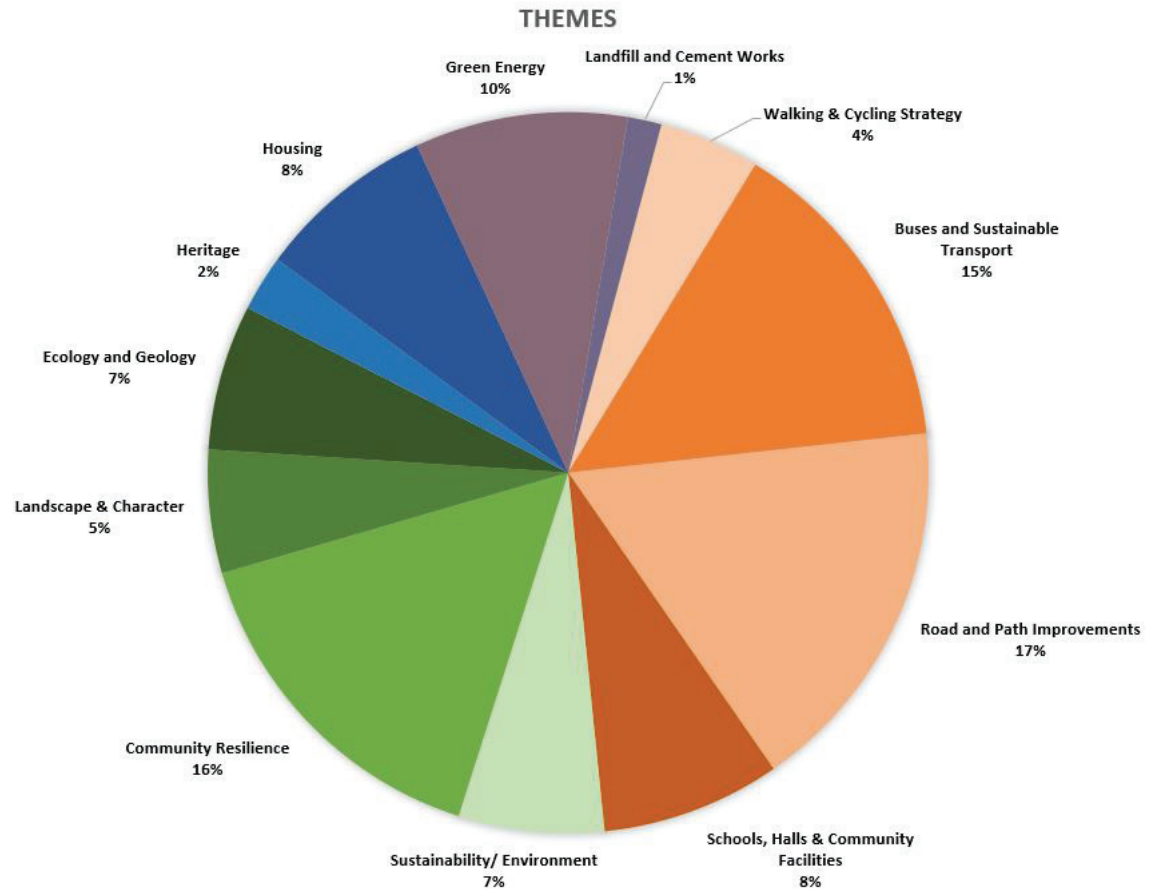
Vision for East Lammermuir area

Survey Summary

The survey asked ‘**what three changes would you like to see in the East Lammermuir area over the next 10 years?**’

These desires have been collated and categorised by theme, to create a snapshot of the changes that people want to make.

The adjacent piechart shows the overall split of desired changes, demonstrating that bus travel and road and path improvements are a big area of concern.



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BUSES AND SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

STENTON

“Better bus connection or more eg morning Buses and Sustainable Transport that might connect with Edinburgh train and a return late pm/in the evening”

Better public transport

Better public transport. The current bus service doesn't service potential users needs. It therefore doesn't attract many passengers.

Improved public transport

Public transport options - more connectivity and regular trains into Edinburgh

“Better Transport Options e.g.

1. It's not possible to walk or cycle to East Linton (train and bus links + basic shops) without going on roads with National speed limit. This can often be dangerous.

2. A bus link Stenton to East Linton”

Improved public transport.

Improved local rural bus service ideally timed with train times to Edinburgh

SPOTT

More busses

Sustainable transport links

Improved bus service to Spott

INNERWICK

Better transport links by bus and bikes

Good public transport options, including electric car pools, on demand Buses and Sustainable Transport, etc

Improved public transport.

Reintroduction of Sunday service of 253 so I can use the bus to get to church in Dunbar and back. Regular 0900+ service as otherwise no bus between 0700+ and 1100+. Some equivalent to dialabus/shared taxi service in the evenings, especially during the summer and the Edinburgh Festival.

An improved bus service

Better bus timetable

Decent regular bus service 7 days a week

Improved transport links from rural areas to Dunbar and onwards. My nearest bus is at Thurston Manor, 2miles away from my home.

OLDHAMSTOCKS

Reinstatement of public transport
Public transport availability to/from Oldhamstocks

Public transport investment and the reversal of the bus routes cut e.g. the 253 border bus no longer serves the communities of Oldhamstocks, Birnie Knowes, Bilsdean and Dunglass etc it is now re-routed down the A1 to Cockburnspath saving less than 5 minutes on the journey time but removing a vital link for local communities now isolated from accessible public transport.

A bus service

A regular bus service which reaches Oldhamstocks, to connect residents with Dunbar and other towns

Better public transport

Better public transport ie Pingo which ties in with services to other towns and cities

Extension of the Pingo bus service extended to Oldhamstocks to include East Lothian destinations. 253 bus service to be rerouted to Oldhamstocks

More public transportation (actually any public transport from oldhamstocks)

Public transport

Public transport

Public Transport system restored in our area.

we need decent and affordable public transport

Improved local rural bus service ideally timed with train times to Edinburgh

Improved bus service to Spott

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COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

STENTON

Any further developments of industrial scale should have a minimal impact on the day to day survival of villages

Better Broadband

Communities thrive - in an increasingly technologically driven society, local communities should be able to regularly come together

Greater infrastructure building - healthcare commercial and education as well as new houses

Less interference from Local Government, license to hold local events, absolute nonsense

Relaxation of planning rules

Support of small businesses in the area, shops/hospitality/sport

SPOTT

More commercial activity within the villages, both retail and workplace. Opportunity for work hubs.

Opportunities for small businesses in rural areas

Social connections between the communities

Support for local businesses

INNERWICK

Access to local recreational and social activities at low or no cost to combat social isolation and foster community cohesion.

Better mobile phone signals

Have a proper emergency action plan in place and contact all households in area directly should there be a public health emergency rather than slow response via third hand social media

More community activities

More resources for families and the elderly-play parks, children's clubs/ activities, social events.

more tourism

Promoting tourism more to encourage more people to visit this beautiful countryside and towns and villages which will support the local economy. Tourism in the area will stop entirely with the current plans for the area.

Reduced community council tax or reduced electricity charges due to industrial changes to our landscape and disruption to our way of life.

Strong community groups and greater resilience....strengthen school/ community links

Keep the Flower Show going

OLDHAMSTOCKS

Better broadband

Better digital connectivity - fibre broadband

Digital connectivity

Proper investment in infrastructure with fibre optic coverage and faster and more reliable internet coverage to properly support rural businesses and the community.

Reduction in heating bills - discount applied

Consultation on any and all development with personalised communication and an appreciation that not all will have access to or wish to use tech communication over varied platforms.

No power cuts

some way for old folks to stay in their own homes as long as possible (public transport, support network, carers etc)

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ECOLOGY AND GEOLOGY

STENTON

More tree planting

Policies to improve biodiversity in the community such as stopping the use of Glyphosate and designate areas to wild meadows

Visitors to rural areas follow the Countryside Code at all times.

Commitment to biodiversity and maintained nature spots

SPOTT

Enhanced nature (wildlife and habitats, woodland and wetlands)

Greater enhancing biodiversity by linking hedgerows and woodland areas with planting. Greater understanding of the unique biodiversity of the area and targeted projects to keep this and foster more habitat for a greater number of species.

Restore the high value landscape views and start to repair the disconnected habitats

INNERWICK

Preserving green spaces, wild spaces and nature biodiversity

Re wilding projects

OLDHAMSTOCKS

A collaborative effort to reverse environmental decline, increase biodiversity and reduce carbon

More incentives for farmers to fill in hedge gaps, repair stone walls and reduce field margins for wildlife benefit

Preservation and enhancement of natural environment. Perhaps better paths network and signage

Road verges: cutting less (or none) and allowing natural growth. Replacing flower beds with wildflowers.

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GREEN ENERGY

STENTON

Development of renewable energy systems that blend in more with the environment and stimulate community development. It is impossible to avoid the towers needed for wind farms and it is logical in many ways to place solar panels beneath them, but this needs to be done sensitively, taking into account environmental impacts. And the grid connections should be placed underground or sub-sea wherever possible. The related buildings and transformer stations should be designed to blend in tastefully with the environment. Finally, the development of green energy should bring financial benefits to the communities affected, rather than payouts to individual residents. Eg supporting the development of rural schools and broadband fibre-optic networks and the maintenance and expansion of bus services to under-served villages.

No More onshore windmills and definitely no battery storage constructions

SPOTT

Less industry or less visible infrastructure

Less large industrial operations

No more windfarms being built and polluting the countryside and displacing wildlife.

No more windfarms built in the sea in East Lothian. This week a dead whale was discovered in the sea. Windfarms upset the mammals that live in the sea.

INNERWICK

A balance between energy infrastructure and visual impact to a previously rural area

A limit to the industry that is coming to the area and coastline, bringing with it a huge impact on the road infrastructure and no of vehicles on the narrow country roads.

ELC must stop hiding behind inappropriate processes and legislation and start actually supporting the local communities in what is the biggest proposed industrial development ever in East Lothian.

Less disruption by large corporations using our area for their own greed
no industrialisation

No more energy development

None rather than have all the industrial work which should stop

Stop mass Industrialisation. It is absolutely outrageous what ELC and Scottish Government have planned and acknowledge they have planned for the whole of East Lothian over the next 20 years. The land in this area should remain agricultural. This area is the gateway to East Lothian and should not fall under the hammer of hurried Net Zero and big business profits that don't even stay in this country.

Very concerned about the amount of infrastructure that is planned for this area and the effect on transportation and visual impact etc. I do not feel this is a transparent process- the developers seem to have managed

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OLDHAMSTOCKS

Meaningful consultation and joined up approach to developments

A more open, truthful and properly consultative approach to the various industrial developments in our area.

The current planning process does not have any of these characteristics.

Contesting road use with regards to the planned infrastructure associated with the windfall and energy bank.

A more considered approach to energy infrastructure, and busting the committee voice is heard and considered to protect the interests and lifestyles of residents

A limit to further industrial developments eg. The various power related projects planned.

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to confuse- at least me - with 1000 of pages of technical details and ELC appear to be pretty silent on the subject.

No more dumping heavy industry in this part of East Lothian. Individual support to the households that live in the area and are affected by the noise, uncontrolled fires, heavy works traffic, roads being pot holed, litter, changes to the landscape. Rather than offering community grants offer direct support.

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SCHOOLS, HALLS & COMMUNITY FACILITIES

STENTON

Car Park - please can the car park in Stenton be properly cleared out on the church side as the undergrowth has taken over this side and some people have dumped trailers and caravans in there. This is a car park which is not functioning at its full capacity. When the church is busy, too many cars need to park right along the street when most of them could be safely in the car park.

Change the School catchment area to enable Stenton to have more pupils.

More health and sport facilities, outside static gyms, all weather covered multi sport pitches like they have in the Highlands.

A local shopping opportunity in the Stenton area would be fantastic.

Outdoor static gym equipment or all weather multi sport court.

Retention of village schools

SPOTT

A community garden, allotments, orchard and safe place for children to play

Keep the church open

Increase funding for village halls in the area to help with running costs

More linking of the communities through shared events to build social networks for both the young and old. Greater connectivity through paths and community spaces for recreation. More community gardens, orchards and woodland for sharing.

INNERWICK

Make use of all premises, especially the old school

New or upgraded village halls

Community hub/garden/social space

OLDHAMSTOCKS

More community facilities for the locals
Village Hall

Clean, safe and comfortable environment to meet for local community

Improved access to to NHS facilities including dentistry.

More social activities in villages attended by local people

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HERITAGE

STENTON

Protection of the historic villages - historic buildings should be retained, growth should be considered in the overall scheme of the village, views, especially to the sea, should be protected and roads shouldn't be made busier through industrial traffic. These are close knit, quiet rural villages.

SPOTT

More understanding of the wealth of archaeology within the landscape and how this fits into wider East Lothian

INNERWICK

"Be recognised as its own "burgh" type area.

Eg. Welcome to east lammermuir at all entry points."

Making sure we keep the village like a village and not industrial looking

Saving our historic buildings and village history

HOUSING

STENTON

Protection of countryside over housing. Stop or significantly reduce large scale housing development on open country and farmland.

Supply more low cost housing in rural areas to encourage families to move out of towns

Sympathetic development consisting of small numbers of houses designed to complement rather than overwhelm existing settlements

SPOTT

No more developments that are out of keeping size and proportion preserve and protect.

Well managed developments (housing and renewable infrastructure) that does not detract from the landscape

Fewer new houses built

Less new houses except council owned

INNERWICK

More housing - preferably social housing below either Manse View or Kirk Brae (we need slightly larger population)

more homes

No additional housing / holiday park or industrial / energy development

OLDHAMSTOCKS

Also limits to where new housing development can happen.

Housing stock improvement grants.

More sympathetic planning dept re "small local domestic " applications given planning depts apparent willingness to approve big power schemes and their associated chaos

Please halt the expansion of towns like Dunbar, East Linton and Haddington or at least pause house building until the infrastructure and medical facilities are sufficient.

No more house building

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LANDFILL AND CEMENT WORKS

SPOTT

“No more recycling plants or landfill sights that go on fire and cause eye issues for locals when there are fires but no staff to put them out. No more paths making small villages more vulnerable to criminals. Perhaps SEPA to monitor the cement works that pollute the whole making it very unhealthy for locals. A concrete works should NEVER be allowed to monitor air pollution themselves! Also thought given to nature and the need to destroy areas with more and more and more ad infinitum HOUSING stopped!”

Less heavy duty industries

INNERWICK

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LANDSCAPE

STENTON

More public access to the countryside - particularly the Hopes Estate (where the free car park controlled by Scottish Water needs to be publicised more widely and the landlord needs to be obliged to allow better vehicle access and parking for water, and the confirmation of a public right of way through Pressmennan Wood on the north side of Pressmennan Lake

Planning legislation to protect some of the land in the Lammermuir Hills from Onshore Windfarms close to villages and plateau edges.

SPOTT

Easier and safer to get around into the country and sea

Enhanced landscape (in part through 1 above)

Better care of the natural environment

INNERWICK

Keeping farmland

Planning enforcement

OLDHAMSTOCKS

Any new developments should be eco friendly designs though modern should be sympathetic to local buildings and countryside.

Landscaping done effectively

Prefer minimal change to a quiet pleasant area

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ROADS AND PATHS

STENTON

Better road maintenance

Improved road surfaces

“Make all the roads and paths safe for cyclists and pedestrians. Many of them are overgrown with vegetation, e.g. on the path next to the A1 to the east of the Spott roundabout, just after the path deviates from the roadside, at the ‘milestone’ layby, the brambles and roses were cut back a year or two ago after I pointed out how intrusive and hazardous they were. But they need to be cut again, and without this prompt, I wonder whether it will be done.

Others are very rough, e.g. going from Stenton towards Whittingehame South Lodge on the B6370, at the last bend before that lodge, I need to cycle beyond the white line to avoid an extremely rough stretch of tar for 100m or more.”

Speed bumps etc to ensure vehicles travel at the require 20 mph through villages.

Better road maintenance - the pot holes and ragged fringes of rural roads around Stention get worse each year

For walkers or cyclists leaving Stenton towards the south-west, the stretch from the school to the top of the steep hill beyond Little Ruchlaw is by far the most hazardous road anywhere near here. It would be good if we could have a path that would separate us from the vehicular traffic. It would not be hard to find a suitable route if there was sufficient will to do so.

Further dualling of A1

“Improve by widening and improving the road from Ruchlaw Mains to East Linton. It is not fit for the traffic that drives on it. There are always pot holes, on it and the edges of the road collapse.

At the foot of Pressmennan road in the village of Stenton, people park on the pavement which leads to the Crofts. a. there is room in the car park for

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SPOTT

Roads repaired

Safer and better roads especially up to Spott

Traffic light system at the Cannon Gate Spott

No diversions through Spott (Canongate bridge is not up to large HGVs) when the A1 is shut at Spott/Dunbar

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these vehicles which is less than 50m away. No one should park on a pavement b. pedestrians are forced on to the single carriageway road as they are blocked from using the pavement c. parking at or near the junction impedes lorries from using this junction and frequently lorry drivers have to knock on several doors to ask people to move their vehicles. A ban on vehicles parking on every side of this junction is required to ensure the safety of everyone using this junction.”

“Improved footpath networks eg (i)A footpath from Stenton to Dunbar - this could be off road and become a dedicated core path. (ii)a more circular footpath from the village similar to Spott”

Road speed measures even in small settlementsnof a few houses.

Speed reducing measures in villages eg speed bumps, speed reducing chicane.

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Reduced speed on roads from wind farm traffic

Widening of A1 - upgrading single carriageway sections

Road repairs

OLDHAMSTOCKS

A1 upgraded to dual carriage way. There is a particularly dangerous bend near Bilsdean (going south). Many accidents and near misses

Decent roads, safe for all with appropriate safety signage - bends speed etc

Roads and transport. Most of our roads are in a dreadful state and without appropriate speed restrictions. The roads are already dangerous without the planned increase in traffic. Public transport is non existent outside the villages so we are over-reliant on cars.

Safer junction at Linkhead farm A1 exit towards Oldhamstocks

Safer rural roads for cyclists and drivers with passing places and maintained road surfaces, with safer access on/off A1

Better provision for cars turning off the A1 - longer ramp

“Better road safety arrangements especially when a1 is shut and also more traffic speed li it's around smaller hamlets/ groups of houses.

Safer junction on/off a1 at the junction that goes to Bilsdean and Dunglass.”

Improved road conditions to cope with increased traffic and size of vehicles

Maintenance of local footpaths eg John Muir Way and John Muir link

make the roads safer - passing places, fix the potholes and lack of the side of a road (a drop of a 6 inches or more in several places), safe pedestrian / bike crossing of the A1.

Safer A1 traffic and turn offs

Widening of Spott Rd

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STENTON

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SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

STENTON

sort out recycling more recycling hubs
not less

SPOTT

Less Pollution

clean up or discourage litter. support communities to do this themselves where possible.

Renewable energy sources like shared ground source heat systems.

INNERWICK

“The majority of homes with better insulation and greener heating systems. This will start with “Insulate Innerwick”, and use the lessons learned in the other areas.

1. Working with the community, raising awareness and knowledge of what can be done, particularly “fabric first”, and encouraging volunteers.
2. Surveying properties
3. Cooperating with East Lothian Council and East Lothian Housing Association
4. Accessing all current government finance schemes, and advice services
5. Packaging like properties for improvement in order to lower costs
6. Accessing grants from windfarms and other bodies.”

More electrical car charging - there are many properties for which driveway charging is not an option

An Innerwick that makes its full contribution to combatting climate change - so all premises well insulated,..and an innerwick that has benefitted from all the construction works in the area with the electricity cables and wind farms.

More electrical vehicle charging points

All homes to have fully funded energy conservation / reduction measures fitted by “community benefit” means from all energy development.

OLDHAMSTOCKS

Ban shooting companies from using the East Lammermuirs for grouse/pheasant shoots.

Full restoration after electricity works

Support for home energy efficiency improvements to help meet net zero objectives

Rural fuel inequalities addressed

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WALKING & CYCLING

STENTON

It would be great to see a safe cycle and walking path from Stenton to connect into the Dunbar and East Linton cycle network. For the younger generation, ensuring they can connect with their larger peer group in a safe way without reliance on cars/ Buses and Sustainable Transport - I believe this is essential.

More cycle paths

More safe joined up cycle routes in particular safe routes across the A1

Better footpath network to enable safe circular exercise routes in the locality

“Paying proper attention to the road surface condition would do a lot to help car suspension and occupant comfort. But the help it would afford to large vehicles and two-wheeled vehicles (including pedal-powered ones) is much more significant, perhaps by a factor of ten, or even more. Just try cycling on some of these roads to appreciate this problem.

There are many more examples of improvements that would encourage cycling. Lots of cyclists are put off by the need to share these roads with cars and trucks.”

SPOTT

Better cycle access across the A1 to Dunbar/the coast

better footpath access.

Footpath & cycleway to dunbar

Safe direct walking cycling route from Dunbar to Spott

Accessible safe path to dunbar

Enhanced public access (without undermining 1)

INNERWICK

“A Cycle Path that connects one side of A1 to the other (underneath) - which would be flairly easy to do. It would allow safe walk/run/cycle way under A1 and would make a good link”

“Joined up cycle path as it seems to jump from one side off A1 to other and in some places just stops!

(although I feel the word cycle path isn't correct as it's used by walkers and runners!)”

A Walking & Cycling link to Dunbar

“Better public transport systems and active travel routes

1. More frequent scheduled services, especially to take people to and from work.
2. Access to school bus provision
3. Extension of Pingo throughtout the area”

Core paths - better connections please.

More designated safe pathways for walkers and children on bikes.

OLDHAMSTOCKS

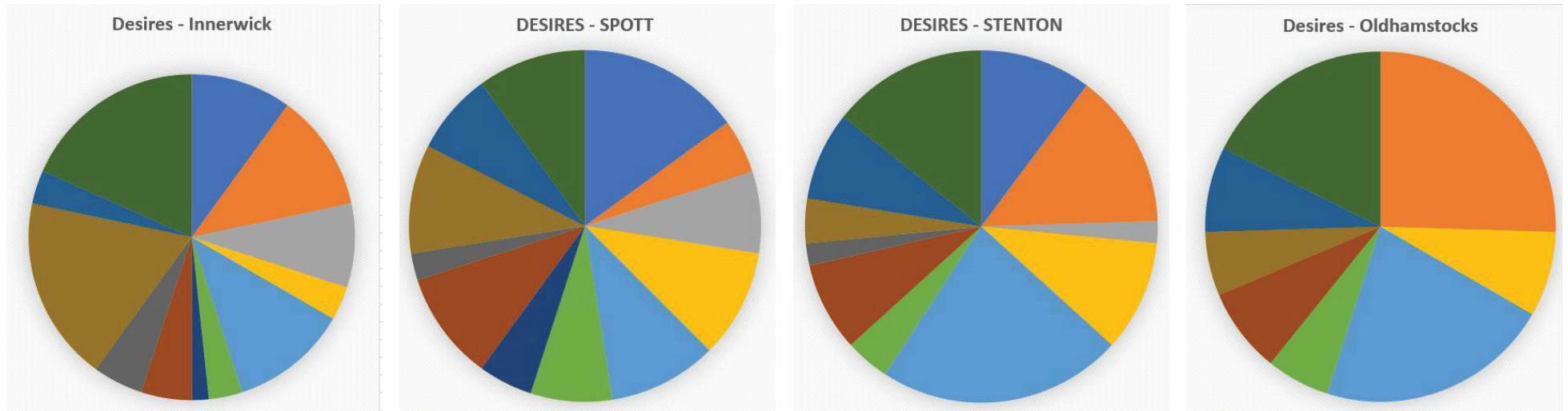
An integrated network of segregated active travel paths and tracks, which includes both sides of the a1 and railway lines

Better access to Dunbar from the villages in terms of crossing the A1 safely on foot or cycle

Better off road path network

Footpaths through fields and woods, cycle paths and safe routes near our busy roads. At the the moment we suffer many of the disadvantages of a rural area and, through industrialisation and intensive agriculture, none of the perceived advantages. In spite of right to roam.

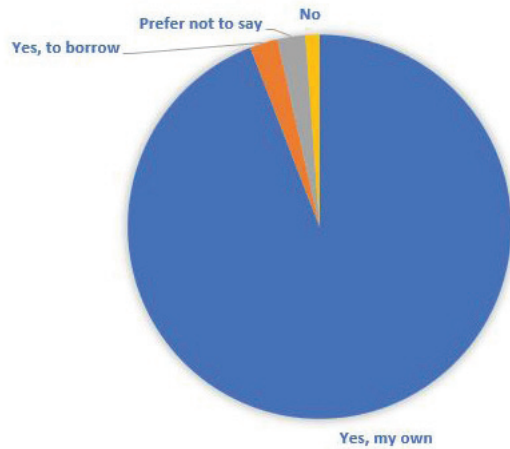
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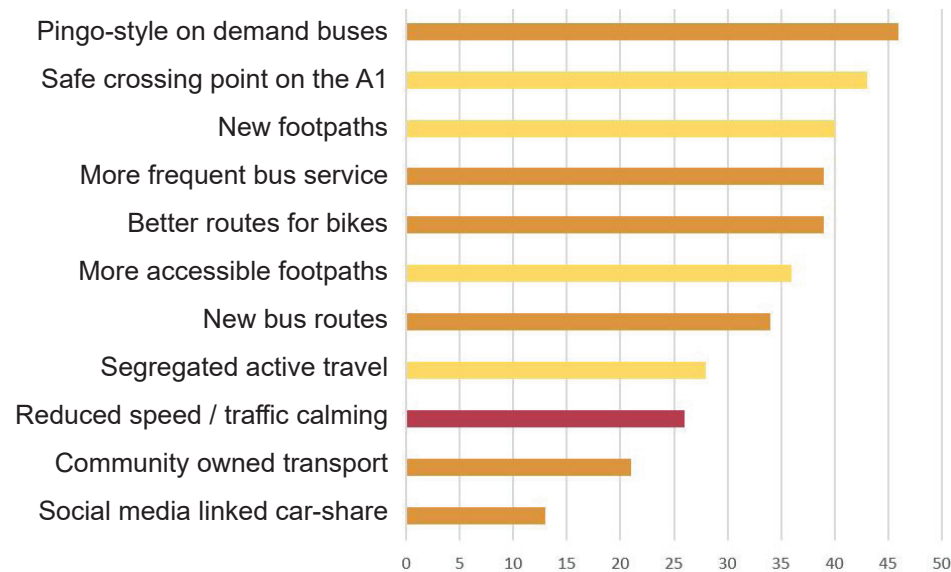
- Walking and cycling strategy
- Sustainability and environment
- Road and path improvements
- Landfill and cement works
- Buses and Sustainable Transport
- School, Halls and Community Facilities
- Landscape and Character
- Housing
- Green Energy
- Community Resilience

Local Travel, Green Spaces, Countryside and Coast

DO YOU HAVE ACCESS TO A CAR?



WHAT WOULD MAKE LOCAL TRAVEL EASIER FOR YOU? TICK ALL THAT APPLY:



Local Travel, Green Spaces, Countryside and Coast

ARE THERE ANY NEW ROUTES YOU WOULD LIKE ESTABLISHED AS FOOTPATHS OR SAFE CYCLE ROUTES? IF SO, PLEASE SUMMARISE ROUTE.

- Spott to Dunbar via Canongate
- Cycle path established from co path to Dunbar but it is taking you life in hands to cross A1
- Across A1
- Clear path around Oldhamstocks
- “From Innerwick to cycle path without having to go round via Crowhill.
- Safer roads for pedestrians - high viz clothing, more pavements and a safe way to walk from Innerwick to Dunbar withough having to go along the A1. This could be a safe A1 crossing at the Innerwick junction and then a footpath/ cycle path to link in with the landfill site road to the north of the A1,”
- Innerwick to the sea
- routes from the countryside to town /village centres
- Across a1 towards Dunbar by bike. Currently highly dangerous
- “Safe routes to East Linton and Dunbar, separate from traffic. Extend the new field margin path east of Stenton to join up ways to East Linton and Dunbar.
- Oldhamstocks - Cockburnspath
- Oldhamstocks - Innerwick
- and on to the coast”
- I’d like to see all the coastal paths improved. These need to link coherently linked to each village, by one or more paths, with “gravel” routes for cyclists (not Sustrans std, which is urban focused). Critical crossings must be improved. Stenton, Spott, Innerwick and Oldhamstocks are ill served.
- Route around innerwick across the A1 to the coast. Safe cycling and walking on paths or off road around innerwick. It is 60miles an hour speed limit and lots of people/children have to walk and cycle on the narrow, twisty roads which are not safe.
- Safe crossings on A1. Segregated paths next to at least some of the roads. The Oldhamstocks to Dunglass path being easier to find/use - and new paths linking to it and to John Muir Way
- Moot question cycling and walking in the area will stop entirely with what is planned.
- Ban cars and vans from using the A1 farm tracks and farm underpass?
- Spott to Dunbar
- Birnieknowes to the coast and Birnieknowes to Cockburnspath
- More routes between the communities as well as the coast
- Safe A1 crossing point(s)
- “Footpath from Stenton to Dunbar off road.
- Circular footpath serving Stenton similar to Spott - could come off existing core path. Follow the burn downstream, cross burn on new footbridge and steps and return at higher level”
- Footpath along the north side of Pressmennan Lake
- Innerwick to the path that runs parallel to the railway and A1, to enable further travel westwards on that path
- Innerwick to Dunbar. Innerwick to beaches, under A1
- Over the haul roads once construction has been completed with arterial tracks to convenient safe crossings of the A1
- Stenton to Dunbar, not on the roads
- Spott to Dunbar
- Dunbar up to Spott
- Foot path form Spott to Dunbar
- Safe cycle route from The Pinkertons to Dunbar/ the coast
- Tunnel under A1 near Innerwick to allow safe crossing for all (walk, run, cycle etc)
- Safe off-road cycle path from Stenton to East Linton and Dunbar
- Cycle path Spott <-> Dunbar
- Safe path linking Innerwick to the cycle path to Dunbar

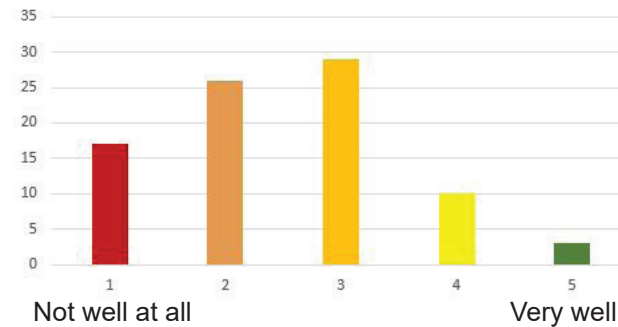
Local Travel, Green Spaces, Countryside and Coast

IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER SPECIFIC IDEAS ON ACTIVE TRAVEL, LET US KNOW HERE.

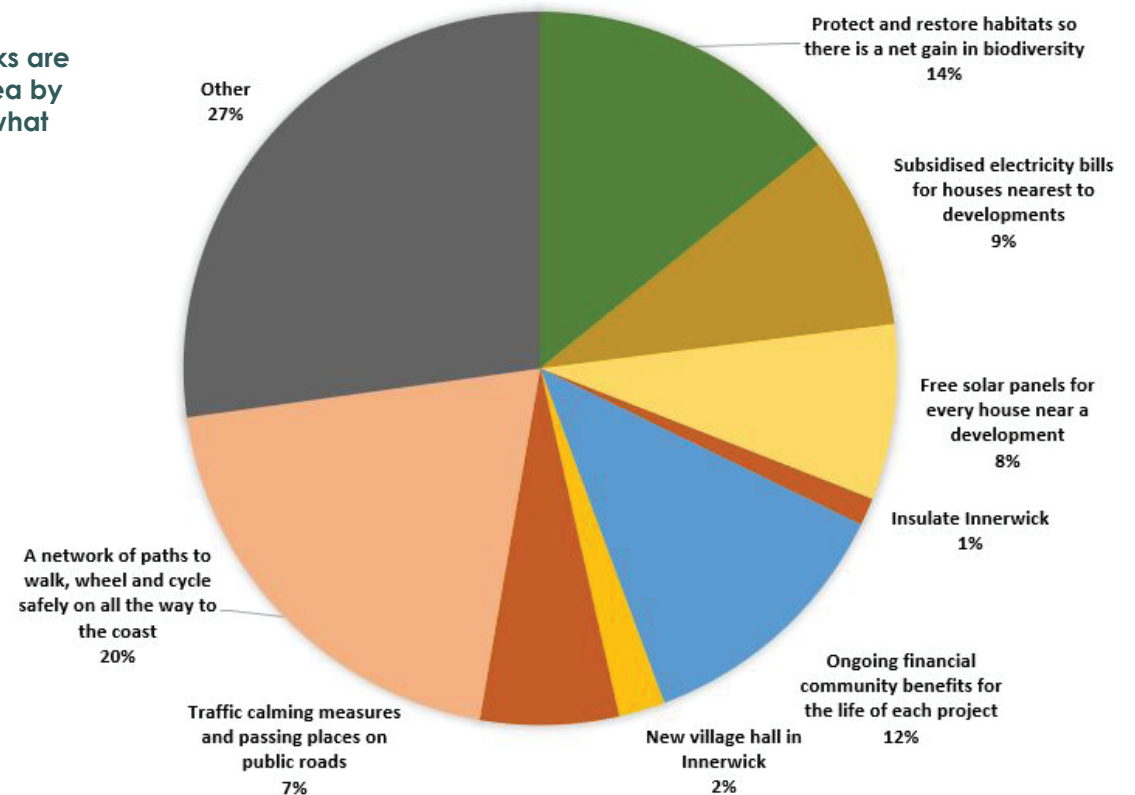
- “Grants for electric bicycles
- Restrict the use of Saltire travel card for children for 0700 to 1900 Monday to Friday as system being abused and encouraging loutish behaviour”
- Most importantly for me is a good and regular bus service to Dunbar to enable me to reduce my reliance on my car and reduce my fuel usage (I can’t afford an electric vehicle)
- Bus service runs only 6 days, nothing on a Sunday and you are then tucked up in bed by 7.30 ludicrous for this working or intending to actually socialise
- More refuges on the side of narrow local roads - especially on 253 bus route and on the road down from Innerwick to the A1. This would also help dog walkers.
- Put a 40mph speed limit on the B road from Stenton in both directions so it’s safer for all users. People can share spaces.
- Get the young people and people who push buggies or use wheelchairs to design it
- I am a motorist, a cyclist and a walker. But lets put the walker first. Quiet roads could be the low cost answer. Slow down as if you were in a car park whenever you encounter a non motorised user.
- E-bike hire?
- Decent “gravel” paths for cyclists, to be able to access Doon Hill and the trig point in a less roundabout way? A direct path from Brandsmill to Innerwick would be nice. Doon hill turn off is increasingly dangerous as is the Broxburn turnoff. Many paths are circuitous and indirect, or run alongside a road, as if designed for another purpose.
- Well, having the X7 arrive in Haddington just after the 111 Prentice Coach has left and over an hour to wait for next one - they could try and co-ordinate.
- Community car to be available for hospital/ health centre visits
- Electric bike rental at favourable rates for pensioners!
- “Where bike lanes or shared spaces exist, they should be at least as smooth as the road surfaces, because cyclists may still choose to use the roads instead where the roads are better.
- The same applies to pavement width, e.g. around Tynfield to Beltonford.”
- Community/Neighbourhood car schemes. In small communities reciprocal designated driver initiatives. Given that in the countryside people may drink at home - some kind of designated driver arrangement would be preferable to (should some unfortunate incident occur) waiting for an ambulance and would avoid the temptation to drive illegally.
- Traffic lights at the Cannon Gate area and transform road to single track to make it safer for walking and cycling direct to Spott to Dunbar
- Buy everyone a bike with the wind farm money

Opportunities for Land Use - Proposed Developments

How well do you think you are being informed and listened to about the proposed electricity infrastructure developments (such as sub-stations, converter stations and buried cables) in your area? To learn about this and how to get involved, see ELCC website www.elcc.scot Please tick one option.

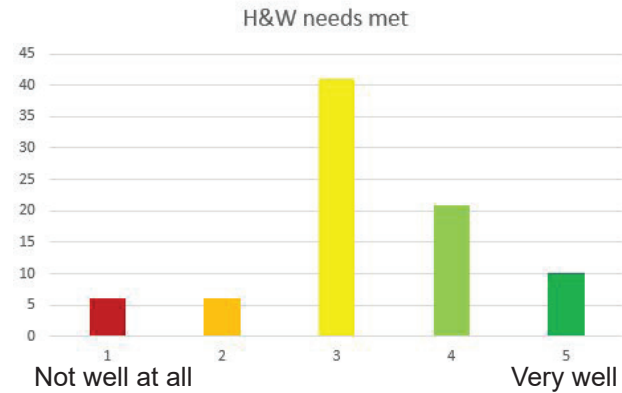


Now thinking about how your local area will be left after the works are finished, if you could ask the developers to improve the local area by providing or funding three of the following, in the next 10 years, what would they be? tick your top three choices:

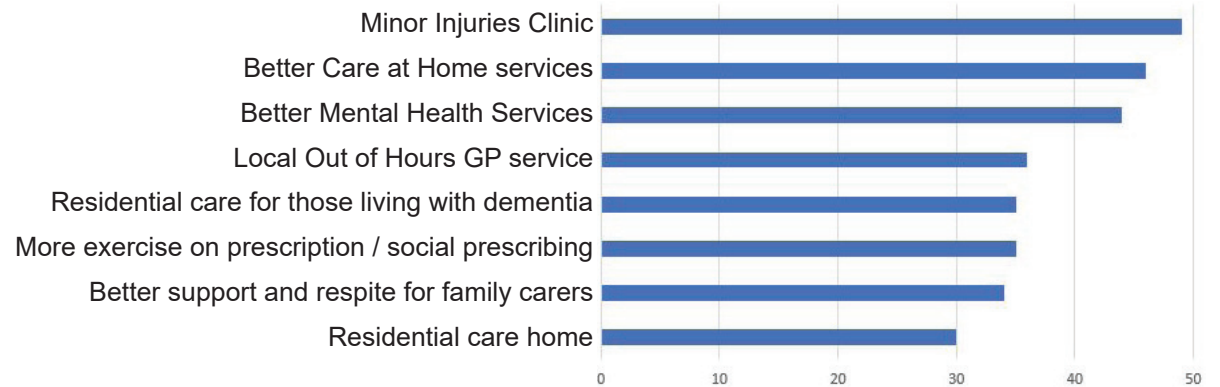


Health & Wellbeing

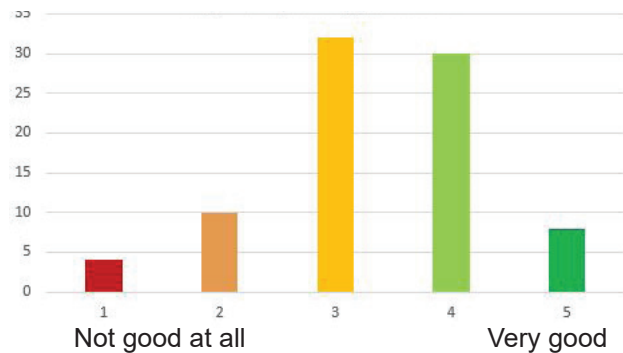
How well do you think your health and wellbeing needs are met by our local NHS services and support networks? Please tick one option.



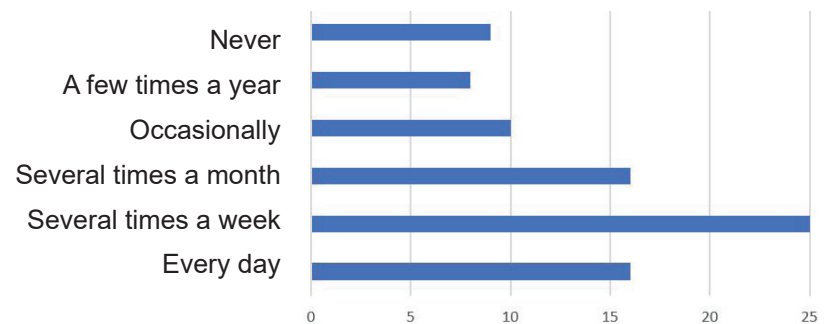
If you could change or add to the local provision of health and social care in the next 10 years, what would it be? tick all that would apply:



How good are the spaces and opportunities for play, sport and recreation in this area? Please tick one option.



How often do you use the existing facilities? please tick one option.



Community Facilities, Sports & Leisure Activities

What would enable you to use the facilities more often?

- Better active travel routes esp. to the beach and Dunbar x9
- Better public transport esp. to Dunbar x9
- There are no local facilities x3
- No car parking fees at beaches, or any other site for outdoor activities. x2
- More options in terms of footpaths
- Facilities limited to walking in the countryside
- the facilities are the sea, reservoirs and the cycle paths
- Free access to local beaches not restricted by time: fresh air & beaches should be free at any time
- Better access across A1 x3
- There are facilities in Dunbar.
- Better range of facilities, where gym/Pilates/ yoga classes can take place
- Clean accessible areas
- Better bus service into Dunbar to use leisure centre
- Free parking
- Cheaper, and availability
- More physical facilities without travelling to Dunbar.
- More variety and safe way to cycle there
- Safer crossing points along the A1
- Sport never, but recreation every day
- More accessible by bike paths, safer crossing over A1 to the beaches. Limited park facilities and no sporting facilities.
- Sport is over provided in Dunbar, but under provided in the villages, but may that is OK. Parks, gardens, beaches, footpaths, cycleways? Well they are not many parks and gardens, and the the footpath network is poor. Cycling on the roads might be more attractive to all if drivers weren't in such and hurry and would slow down.
- I walk in nature.
- We have no village green
- Someone to pick me up by car
- Happy with present facilities
- Wider variety of facilities extending beyond very young children
- More rural bicycle running routes which are away from roads
- Free parking for local council tax payers
- Retirement
- Dome over the tennis courts in Dunbar!!!
- A more complete network of footpaths and cycle ways that are well signposted (for avoidance of doubt about public rights of access through land owned by grumpy lairds and farmers as well as to guide walkers)
- walking and cycling don't need special provision, except for good quality public paths and roads
- Better weather
- All weather multi sport surface Static outdoor gym circuit
- Better schedule instead of limited times/days

Community Facilities, Sports & Leisure Activities

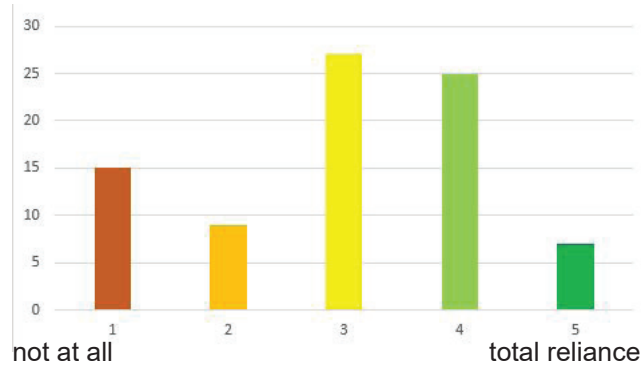
What new facility would you like to see and use regularly?

- Local footpaths/cycleways
- Bigger gym at Dunbar Pool
- Open air swimming pool
- Exercise classes held locally (Oldhamstocks village hall)
- maintain the cycle paths (and more more of them)
- Traffic free routes
- Just keep existing ones open and extend hours
- Toilets open 24 hours
- More activities in the village halls
- Football pitch
- A small shop
- Community cafe
- Pilates/exercsie class in Innerwick village hall
- Trail bike paths
- footbridge over the A1
- General sports
- Gym
- Football and basketball facilities and safe cycle routes
- Safe routes to get there sustainably
- Safe route to the coast
- better access to nature
- Tennis courts, basketball court, park for older children too.
- Possibly an outdoor gym
- Every village should have a proper green and some specimen trees planted for posterity to enjoy. There are quite a few open spaces but they need more design. Spott needs a green, parklet, garden, but not another playpark.
- better train services to Edinburgh. Interesting that EL residents had more of a council tax hike than Edinburgh, where they have good facilities for recreation, etc.
- Community Garden Green space
- Someone to visit or phone occasionally & look out for me
- A local gym, regular fitness classes in the village halls, a small swimming pool
- An all weather covered multi sport pitch
- Wider access to the village hall for the community
- More rural bicycle running routes which are away from roads
- Decent size community hall
- Better local sports facilities eg in village halls
- Local swimming pool
- none, enough natural stuff to keep me happy
- Evening or day classes that NOT on line.
- Public footpath along the north side of Pressmennan lake, connecting with the existing paths on the south side, that would enable people to walk right round the lake.
- more and better bike-friendly roads and paths, perhaps by adding more cycling lanes where practicable.
- Footpath
- Indoor gym's
- Safe, off road footpath
- Cycle path up to Spott
- Static outdoor gym
- Gym and yoga
- An outdoor heated swimming pool utilising the waste heat from the Converter Station
- Pilates or Yoga
- A local tennis or padel court in Stenton would be fantastic. Cycle paths are critical for Stenton. The current arrangements are very unsafe
- Over night parking for motorhomes
- core footpaths

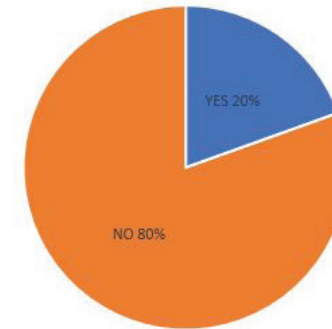
Local Economy and Business

How much do you rely upon local shops and businesses in the East Lammermuir area to meet your needs? Please tick one option.

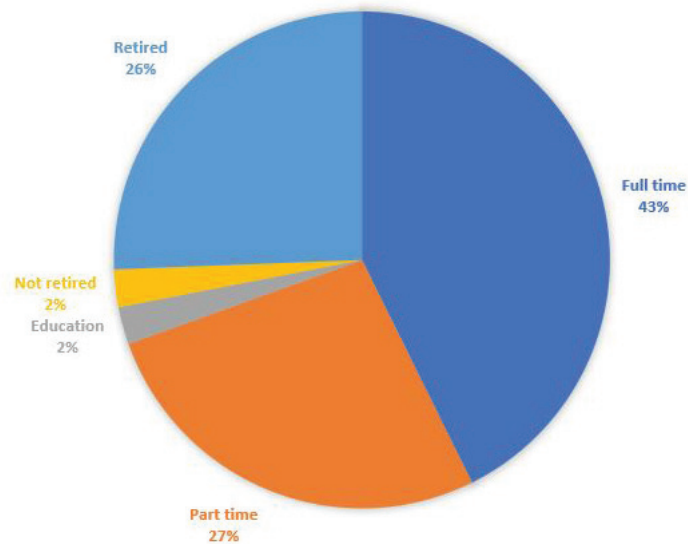
NB based on these results, we assume respondents included Dunbar in the definition of 'local shops'



Do you own or run a local business?



Are you currently employed?



What would encourage you to make greater use of shops and services in the East Lammermuir area? tick all that would apply

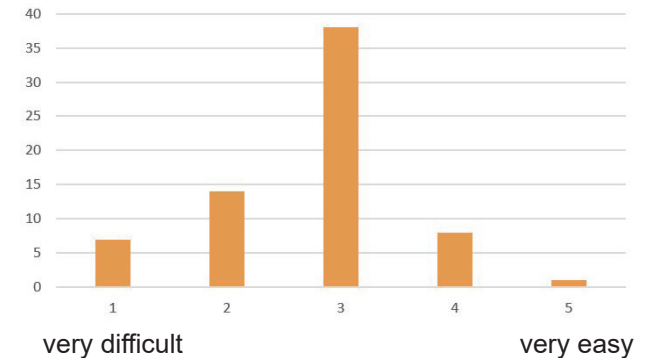


Local Economy and Business

What are the main things East Lothian Council could do to help local businesses?

- Dedicated staff at E L C to aid small businesses with advertising and paperwork
- Engage with business before rail roading changes to parking, business rates, recycling restrictions encourage growth within town centres rather than retail parks
- Funding
- Improve community connectivity and better support for vocational training and apprenticeships
- Keep taxes as affordable as possible.
- Economic development grants
- listen to them properly
- Stop supporting already successful businesses and target help for startups (and exclude certain categories ... like dog walking companies)?
- Not sure if they could support me in my particular business
- “Not turning local areas into 15min cities Keeping our cars as businesses rely on vehicles to keep business working efficiently especially when living in small villages”
- Extend fibre-optic cable to all outlying rural communities. The extension undertaken recently by BT left out many outlying settlements, including the one where I live. Two of the four households there, including mine, rely on good internet links to run their business
- Business rates reduction
- Start up grant funding
- Make all the empty shops available at a reasonable rental

How easy is it to find employment, receive training or learn new skills locally? Please tick one option.

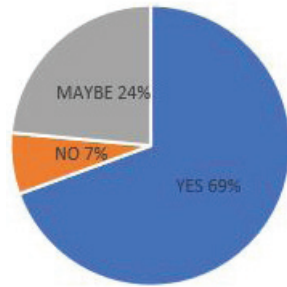


If this could be improved or be better for you in future, what changes would help?

- Local training options. x2
- Transport x3
- Have a box above for self employed
- Evening/day classes in a range of areas such as woodworking, welding, computing, painting, gardening, use of mobile phones (for emails, photography etc.)
- Encourage more work based apprenticeships encourage people to value work rather than get everything handed to them.
- Better sharing of information about sessions (e.g. through social media) and more options (e.g. health and social care skills)
- More business opportunities not reliant on Edinburgh
- Integrate training in shortage areas like home insulation with actual provision
- better internet
- Fast fibre!
- It is a rural area ... An early local bus service to the station?
- No colleges in East Lothian. Therefore one has to take 3 buses if one wants to improve ones qualifications to Fife or a bus and train to Glasgow. Truly shocking!
- More apprenticeships and opportunities for youth
- Better adult Ed opportunities
- Apprenticeship opportunities for young people, especially in trades that are vital for servicing the economy of the future
- Make it easier to find out what is on offer
- Provision of affordable artist studios
- More opportunities for young people to stay in the area
- Allow new nuclear power station
- Shop local or bye bye local - to encourage more to shop local. Look at all the new housing estates who don't support local small businesses

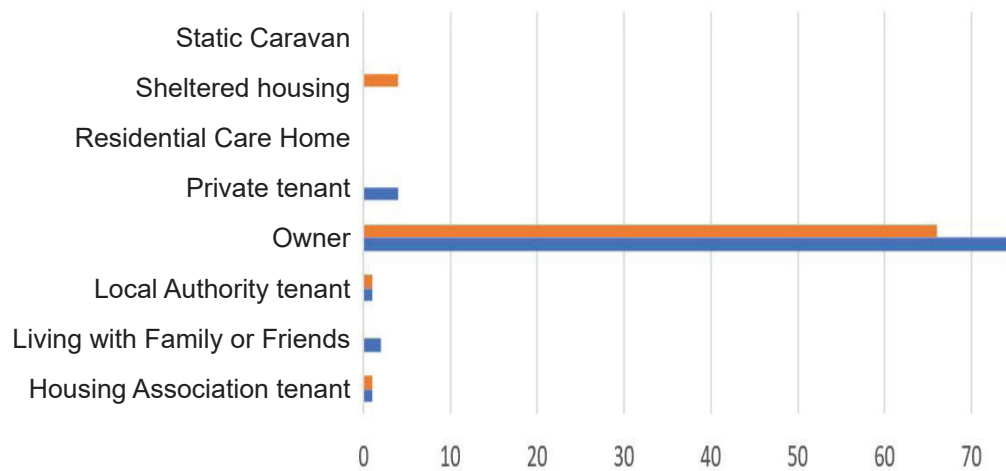
Housing

Do you plan to live in the East Lammermuir area in 2035?



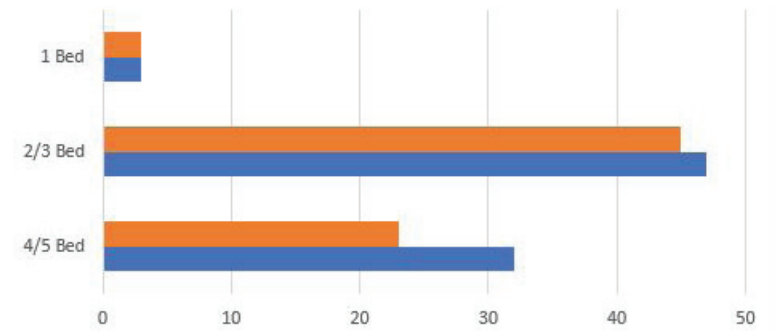
What type of accommodation do you live in...

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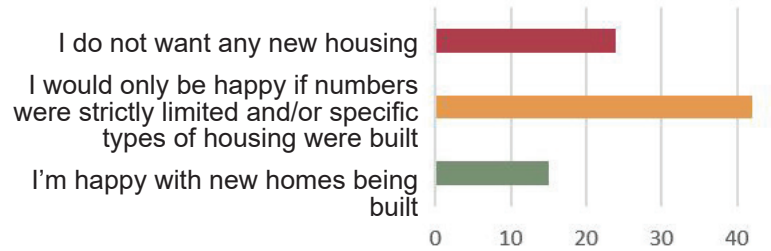
What best describes your home...

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Housing

There are now two questions about new housing. First, what is your general view on new housing in your immediate locality?



Second, if there was new housing in your locality, what mix would you prefer?

