

LINLITHGOW – A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE, 2022-2032

Community Consultation Questionnaire

The 'Plan for the Future' was last the subject of public participation in 2015; the Planning Forum hopes that you find the revised version of interest and we invite you to make comment. As before, in the plan's revision, we have found it challenging to reconcile the implications of addressing issues such as housing and employment, traffic and parking, health and education, tourist potential and the environment. As a result, there will be always be some disagreement about some aspects but the plan is an honest attempt, by several community organisations working together, to come up with a solution which has broad general agreement as Linlithgow's own 'Local Place Plan', our input to West Lothian Council's forthcoming Local Development Plan. **Items in red lettering are additional to, or significantly changed from, those in the last agreed version.**

Please let us have your response to the questions below. Also let us know of any strong views you may have for or against any of the draft proposals and whether you think that any issues have not been adequately addressed.

	<i>Circle your response:</i>
1. ENVIRONMENT. Do you support the Plan's proposals for :	
a) District heating systems (Proposals ES1 and ES2, page 17)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
b) A solar farm at the CEMEX quarry site (Proposal ES3, page 17)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
c) Hydro-electric power plants on the River Avon (Proposal ES4, page 18)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
d) Sustainable design of new developments (Proposal ES5, page 18)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
e) Small farms and tree planting (Proposal ES6, page 18)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
f) Dealing with loch and watercourse pollution (Proposals ES7, page 18)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
g) Measures to cut down High Street air pollution (Proposal ES8, page 18)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
Other matters currently without specific proposals in Plan:	
h) Active promotion of more local food production	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
i) Creation of further community gardens	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
j) Installation of flood prevention/drainage improvements	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
k) Promotion of mass domestic solar scheme	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
l) Promotion of Community Buildings Solar Schemes	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
m) Retrofitting homes and businesses with insulation measures	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
n) Retrofitting homes with zero/low carbon heating solutions	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any environmental issues which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan?

2. HERITAGE AND TOURISM. Do you support the Plan's proposals for:	<i>Circle your response:</i>
a) Enhancements to Linlithgow's Conservation Areas (Proposal B1, page 20)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
b) Restoration and re-use of Linlithgow Palace (Proposal B2, page 20)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
c) Preservation of riggs (Proposal B3, page 20)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
d) Tourist Information Centre at entrance to the Burgh Halls (Proposal B4, page 21)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
e) Promotion of a larger hotel in Linlithgow (Proposal B5, page 22)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
f) Canalside facilities near St Michael's Hospital and canal marina near Park Farm (Proposals B6 and B7, page 22)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any heritage/tourism issues which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan? Please note that traffic/parking questions are included later in the questionnaire.

3. BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT. Do you support the Plan's proposals for:	<i>Circle your response:</i>
a) A business park at Burghmuir (Proposal E1, page 24)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
b) A business centre in town centre (Proposal E2, page 24)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
c) Dedicated home/business accommodation (Proposal E3, page 24)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
Other matter without specific proposals currently in Plan:	
Development of a plan for the town which encourages and enables reducing waste, reusing and recycling items and materials, and creates green jobs and reduces carbon footprint	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any business/employment issues which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan?

4. HOUSING Do you support the Plan's proposals for:	<i>Circle your response:</i>
a) Social-rented and affordable housing (Proposals H1 to H3, pages 27 and 28)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
b) Infrastructure to support housing development (Proposal H4, page 28)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
c) Mixed housing at Wilcoxholm Farm and between Clarendon/Edinburgh Road, bearing in mind that much land value derived from these developments could be diverted to town improvements (Proposals H5, H6 and H7 on pages 29 and 30; see reasoning on page 27 and 'planning gains' table on page 47)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
d) Council housing at Doomsdale/Listloaning (Proposals H8 and H9 on page 30)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
e) Private housing development at Sawmill Site, Falkirk Rd. (Proposal H10, page 30)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
f) New housing, part redevelopment of The Vennel (Proposal H11, page 30)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
g) Private housing, Victoria Hall/Templars Ct. sites (Proposals H12, H13, page 30)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT

h) **Better design of new housing** (Proposal H14, page 31) **YES/NO/INDIFFERENT**

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any housing issues which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan?

5. TRANSPORT AND ACCESSIBILITY. Do you support the Plan's proposals for:	<i>Circle your response:</i>
a) Traffic management to 'reclaim' the High Street (Proposal T1, page 32)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
b) Four-way motorway interchange at Burghmuir (Proposal T2A, page 33)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
c) High St Relief Road, hidden to north of Linlithgow Loch (Proposal T2B, p. 33)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
NOTE: For the relative merits of Proposals T2A and T2B, see text on pages 32/33.	
d) Roundabouts on Blackness Road at Springfield Road (east junction) and Kingsfield Road (Proposal T3, page 33)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
e) Eastern Local Distributor Road (Proposal T4, page 33)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
f) Relief of traffic over canal bridge, Manse Road (Proposal T5, page 34)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
g) Decked car park behind Regent Centre (Proposal T6, page 35)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
h) Tourist car parking at Blackness Road and the Vennel (Proposal T7, page 35)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
i) Improvements to railway station access/rail services (Proposal T8, page 35)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
j) Improvements to bus services (Proposal T9, page 35)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
k) Parking for tourist buses (Proposal T10, page 35)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
l) Creation of cycle network/specific improvements (Proposals T11 to T15, page 36)	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
Other matters currently without specific proposals in Plan:	
m) Improve accessibility for disabled people	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
n) Full implementation of West Lothian Council's Active Travel Plan	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT
o) Review and dramatically improve electric car charging infrastructure, including a 'solar carport' at the Leisure Centre	YES/NO/INDIFFERENT

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any transport/accessibility issues which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan?

- 6. TOWN CENTRE AND RETAILING.** Do you support the Plan's proposals for: *Circle your response:*
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| a) Investigation of successful retail business initiatives (Proposal S1, page 38) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| b) Establishment of Arts Retail Quarter (Proposal S2, page 38) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| c) Neighbourhood shops within new housing areas (Proposal S3, page 39) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| d) Redevelopment of eastern part of The Vennel (Proposal TC1, page 41) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| e) Redevelopment of Victoria Hall site, shops/flats (Proposal TC2, page 41) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| f) Development of frontage to The Cross at Templars Court (Proposal TC3, page 42) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any town centre/retailing issues which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan?

- 7. CULTURE, LEISURE, SPORT, EDUCATION AND HEALTH.** Do you support the Plan's proposals for:
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| a) Retention of Low Port Centre for community/recreational use (Proposal R1, p. 43) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| b) Formation of Clarendon Public Park (Proposal R2, page 43) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| c) Establishment of permanent youth centre (Proposal R4, page 44) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| d) Construction of new primary school at Edinburgh Road (Proposal ED1, page 45) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| e) Creation of integrated health centre on town centre site (Proposal HE1, page 46) | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| Other matters currently without specific proposals in Plan: | |
| f) Produce a co-ordinated audit of all community buildings/facilities | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |
| g) Build a community theatre/cinema | YES/NO/INDIFFERENT |

If you strongly support, or oppose, any of the proposals above, please say why below. Also, are there any issues under this heading which you think have not been adequately addressed in the draft plan?

8. Do you support the Plan's proposals for funding/implementation (pages 47 & 48) **YES/NO/INDIFFERENT**
 If you strongly support, or oppose, these proposals/suggestions, please say why below. Please let us know of any alternative approach that you would like to advocate.

9. Please let us have any other comments on the draft plan, including constructive comments on any overall issues that you think should be better addressed:

Please state the name of the street or neighbourhood in which you live.