

# East Dunbartonshire Local Development Plan Newsletter

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## Local Transport Strategy 2020-2025

Consultation was carried out on the Draft Local Transport Strategy 2020-2025 between September and November 2019. 75 responses were received in total and the Council has been analysing the comments which were received across a large number of topics and actions.

The Council is currently in the final stages of incorporating the consultation comments into the Final Local Transport Strategy and it is anticipated that – subject to agenda – the Final Local Transport Strategy 2020-2025 will be presented to a meeting of the Council’s Place, Neighbourhood and Corporate Assets Committee in March 2020 for approval and delivery. The associated papers will include a Background Report and detailed Report of Consultation for the period of consultation held on the Draft Local Transport Strategy.



## East Dunbartonshire Travel Survey Week

The Draft Local Transport Strategy contained an action for the Council to establish an East Dunbartonshire Travel Survey. Planning has been underway for this project and the inaugural East Dunbartonshire Travel Survey Week will take place from Monday 10 February to Sunday 16 February 2020.

Market researchers, *Research Resource* – on behalf of the Council – will be carrying out on-street surveys during the week beginning Monday 10 February in Kirkintilloch, Milngavie, Bearsden, Bishopbriggs, Lennoxton, Auchinairn, Hillhead, Harestanes and Twechar.

In addition to the on-street survey, an online version is also available which can be completed between now and Sunday 16 February. Follow the link to get involved: [www.researchresource.co.uk/eastduntravel.html](http://www.researchresource.co.uk/eastduntravel.html)

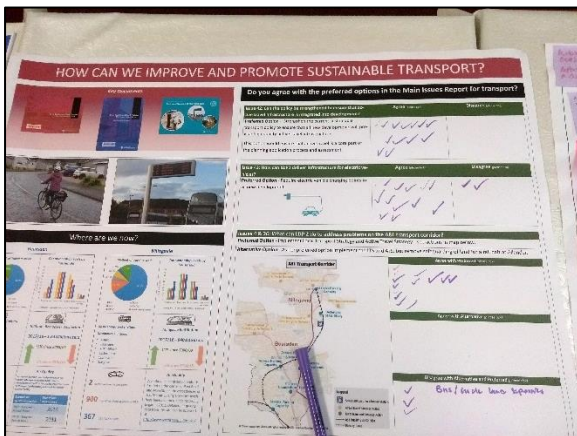
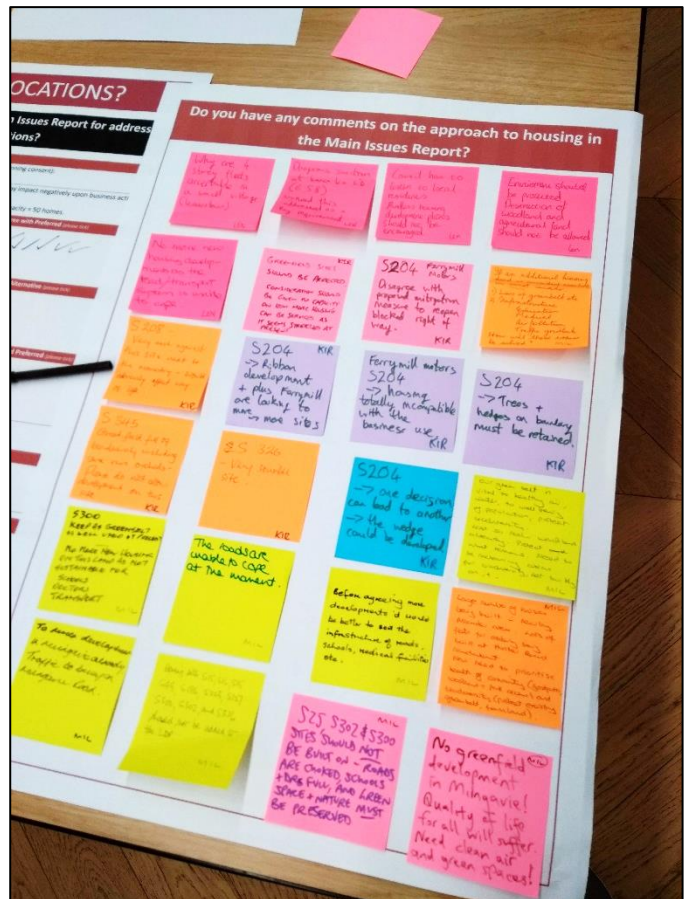
The survey aims to compile a picture of local travel behaviours which will provide the basis for long-term regular data collection - helping the Council to understand evolving travel behaviours and shape plans for the future.

Funding has been provided through the [Smarter Choices, Smarter Places](#) programme, administered by Paths for All.

## Proposed Local Development Plan 2 – Update

Consultation on the Proposed LDP 2 [‘Main Issues Report’](#) (MIR) ended on 10 December 2019. The MIR sets out a series of preferred and alternative options for future development across East Dunbartonshire, and is a key step towards the preparation of a new Local Development Plan – LDP 2. In total, we received 810 responses from a wide range of interested parties including local people, community groups, key agencies, developers, landowners, retailers and local businesses. Approximately 250 people also attended one of our eight drop-in sessions. The Council would like to thank everyone who submitted a response or otherwise participated in the MIR process.

The Planning Policy team is now working through all of the responses, and a summary of these will be set out in a *Report of Consultation*. This will be published alongside the Proposed LDP 2. The outcomes of the MIR consultation will help us prepare the Proposed LDP 2, which is currently scheduled for publication in Summer 2020. You can view the overall LDP 2 timetable within our [Development Plan Scheme \(DPS\)](#). As ever, we will also keep you informed of progress via this newsletter.



## Scottish Government Consultation on Replacement National Planning Framework

The Scottish Government is currently undertaking a period of early engagement as part of the preparation of the next National Planning Framework (NPF4). The engagement period runs until the 31 March 2020, during which time the government is calling for stakeholders to submit their ideas and priorities for the new national framework, as well as comments on the existing NPF3. The replacement framework forms a key part of the Scottish Government's reforms of the planning system, as laid out by the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019. The new NPF will have an enhanced role in the functioning of the planning system as it will also include the policies previously set out in Scottish Planning Policy. As such, NPF4 will set out key requirements and expectations for planning authorities when preparing Local Development Plans.

The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 also gives the National Planning Framework the same status as the Local Development Plan as a material consideration in the assessment of planning applications. It therefore crucial that stakeholders take part in the engagement and give their views on NPF4 to the Scottish Government. Please note that during the engagement period the Scottish Government will be undertaking drop-in sessions and workshops across the country, including in Glasgow on the 17 March 2020. Full information on is available via the links below.

<https://blogs.gov.scot/planning-architecture/2020/01/09/national-planning-framework-4-npf4-early-engagement-now-underway/>

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