
Kilwinning Locality Partnership



Locality Action Plan 2023/24

About Our Locality

Kilwinning is a busy locality in North Ayrshire. It sits on the River Garnock, just north of Irvine and 21 miles south of Glasgow. There are around 16,100 people who live within its communities.



Kilwinning is steeped in history and has been a centre of the weaving, coal mining and ironworks industries, and in the 20th century became part of Scotland's last New Town.

15,640

The estimated population of Kilwinning - This equates to **11.6%** of the total population of North Ayrshire.



20.6%

of the Kilwinning population are over the age of 65.



30%

of the Kilwinning population are under the age of 25.



The Kilwinning unemployment count as of 2022 was **5%**

North Ayrshire average - **4.6%**.



81 years
Female Life
Expectancy



This is 0.9 years **higher** than the North Ayrshire average (80.1 years).

79.9 years
Male Life
Expectancy



This is 4.6 years **higher** than the North Ayrshire average (75.3 years).

Why do we have this plan?

Locality planning was introduced in the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, under Part 2: Community Planning.

It is one of the ways local communities work together with public and third sector organisations to improve residents' lives and neighbourhoods.

Locality Planning represents a way to bridge the gap between strategic work of the Community Planning Board and the many groups which are working in their communities and to ensure priorities can be identified and actioned, and decisions made, at a manageable and more local level.

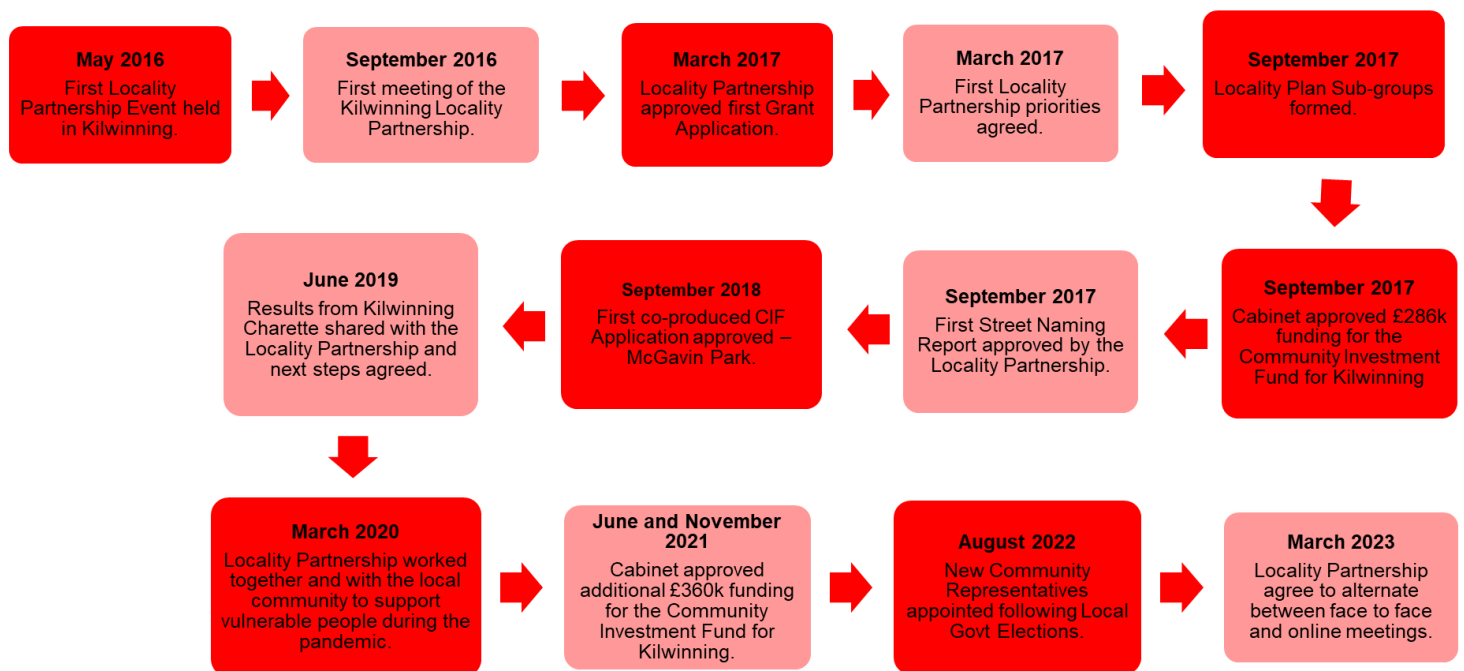
Locality planning was first introduced in North Ayrshire in 2016, with each Locality Partnership's priorities being reviewed in 2021.

In September 2022, updated Terms of Reference and Standing Orders were agreed by Council.

Each Locality Partnership needs to develop a Locality Plan to show how they are going to work together to improve outcomes on their agreed priorities.

Kilwinning Locality Partnership - The Journey

The following information provides a high level summary of the Journey of the Locality Partnership:



Who is involved?

- Elected Members
- Community Council Representatives
- Community Representatives
- Community Planning Partnership Representatives (North Ayrshire Council, HSCP, Police, Fire, Public Health, KA Leisure, Third Sector)



How did we decide our priorities?

Each Locality Partnership has their own local priorities that relate to inequalities and highlight where we feel we can add value. The priorities also link to our North Ayrshire Community Partnership plan – [The Local Outcomes Improvement Plan](#).

Each Locality Partnership agreed their original priorities in 2017 based on data analysis and local engagement. Following the Covid-19 pandemic, a review of the previous priorities was carried out to ensure that they were still relevant to local needs.

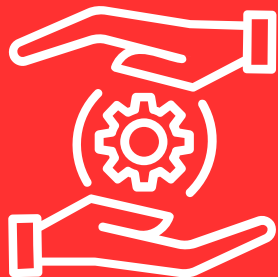
In February 2021, a North Ayrshire mainland (including Cumbrae) public engagement was launched, and members of the public were asked to provide their comments around what our priorities should be and what we can do locally to tackle them.

We used different methods to consult with the community such as:

- Online feedback via CONSUL
- Telephone
- Email feedback
- Twitter polls
- Facebook polls
- SurveyMonkey polls
- Virtual working groups
- Online meetings

Our Priorities

Relevant national and local data were presented to the Locality Partnership along with findings from the public engagement and feedback already given through other engagement such as the Peoples Panel and Health and Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan in Autumn 2021 and refreshed priorities were agreed.



Supporting Skills and Work



Improving our Local Environment



Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equality of Access to Opportunities



Improving Community Wellbeing

We are more than a Plan...

The Locality Partnership Plan and meetings are only a small part of the work which is carried out in each locality to support locality planning and delivery and ensure the voices of local people are heard in an equitable and fair way.

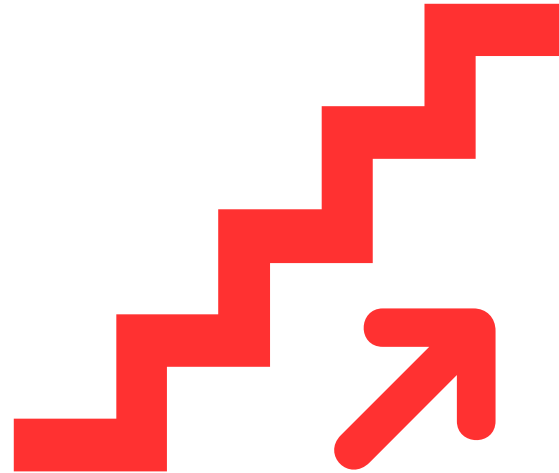
The meetings are a place to agree actions and to make decisions around funding and the ask of partners; they are the tip of a considerable iceberg which includes community chit chat meetings, locality networks and ongoing dialogues with community groups and members regarding their priorities and how they can be supported to work towards these.



Useful Links

- [Our Locality Partnership page on the Community Planning website](#)
- [The Locality Partnership – Terms of Reference](#) explains how these we work.
- [The Locality Partnership Standing Orders](#) explain the governance arrangements for the Locality Partnerships.

Next Steps



1

Action

The Locality Partnership will work together and with the local community and partners to take forward the actions in this plan.

2

Update

The action plan will be updated on an annual basis.

3

Review

The Locality Plan is a living document and will be regularly reviewed to ensure it is relevant and fit for purpose.

Funding Support

The Locality Partnership has considered funding decisions to grant applications to the following funds:

- Town Charitable Trust Funds
- Elderly Grants
- Nurturing Excellence in Communities

The Locality Partnership also consider how they might best address local priorities using the Community Investment Fund.

Since the conception of the Locality Partnerships in North Ayrshire in 2016/17 over **£520,000** has been awarded to Community Groups in Kilwinning.

Since 2016/17 the Locality Partnership has awarded over **£200,000** of Grant payments community groups in Kilwinning.

Since 2018 the Locality Partnership has awarded over **£320,000** of Community Investment Funding to community groups in Kilwinning.

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Action	Who?	When?	Locality Priority
Work in partnership to carry out joint patrols in the locality to reduce antisocial behaviour.	Kilwinning Locality Team Police Scotland PRYDE	Summer 2024	Improving community Wellbeing
Provide youthwork and adult learning opportunities to improve knowledge and wellbeing.	Kilwinning Locality Team	Summer 2024	Supporting Skills and Work Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equity of Access to Opportunities
Continue locality hub approach in Kilwinning library to provide information and support to locality.	Kilwinning Locality Team Aberlour Corra Cruse Bereavement Support Kilwinning Library Staff	Summer 2024	Supporting Skills and Work Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equity of Access to Opportunities
Increase access to information in relation to money advice, energy support and what is on in the local community. Including engaging with the relevant community groups around community notice boards.	Kilwinning Locality Team Kilwinning Community Council	Summer 2024	Supporting Skills and Work Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equity of Access to Opportunities
Increase access to emergency foodbank provision and community larders.	Kilwinning Locality Team Fairer Food Development Worker, NAC	Summer 2024	Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting
Improve the environment around Kilwinning Library.	Green Health Partnership Kilwinning Locality Team	Summer 2024	Improving our Local Environment
Improve the local environment with community litter picking.	Kilwinning Litter Pickers	Summer 2024	Improving our Local Environment Improving Community Wellbeing

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Engage and work in partnership with local agencies and community groups to address each of the Kilwinning priorities.	Kilwinning Locality Team Community Planning Partners Local Community Groups	Summer 2024	Improving our Local Environment Supporting Skills and Work Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equity of Access to Opportunities
Deliver accredited courses to young and older people.	Kilwinning Locality Team	Summer 2024	Supporting Skills and Work Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equity of Access to Opportunities
Growing opportunities and developing lifelong learning strategies within the locality by increasing engagement with community members over the age of 50, i.e. Discovery Award.	Kilwinning Locality Team	Summer 2024	Supporting Skills and Work Improving Community Wellbeing Alleviating Poverty and Promoting Equity of Access to Opportunities