Community Planning in Perth & Kinross



In order to deliver better and more co-ordinated services that meet local people's needs, a number of key agencies work together in a **Community Planning Partnership (CPP).**



The Perth & Kinross CPP Community Plan covers key challenges and issues (focussing on inequalities*), and what services and communities need to do to tackle them.

In Perth and Kinross, communities have Local Action Partnerships (LAPs) which support communities and services to tackle key challenges and issues facing their area. A Local Action Plan for each LAP highlights these and what will be done locally to tackle them. Find out more at www.pkc.gov.uk/communityplanning.





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*An inequality is where people in a community experience disadvantage compared to others - this can be economic/employment; physical and mental health, education & training; and access to key services.

Participation Requests

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Participation Requests can be made by groups of community members, who feel they can help a public body (e.g. the Council or the NHS) to improve an outcome* delivered by a service that the body provides.

In making a Participation Request, the community group must show the knowledge or expertise they have relating to the outcome, <u>and</u> what improvement they expect to come from their involvement.

Find out more about Participation Requests at http://www.pkc.gov.uk/article/19968/Participation-Requests or email communityplanningpartnership@pkc.gov.uk.



*An outcome is the difference we expect to see in an individual/family/community's wellbeing as a result of the services they receive, e.g. an increase in life expectancy resulting from a new health service or initiative.

Community Right-to-Buy



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The **Community Right-to-Buy** gives community groups a right to register their interest in private land or buildings. If this registration is approved, the group then has first right of refusal to purchase the land or buildings, if the current owner decides to sell.



Examples of this in action in Perth and Kinross include the Comrie Development Trust's purchase of the former POW Camp and MOD Training Area at Cultybraggan.



The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 have extended community groups' rights further. The legislation gives conditional rights where they can show land or buildings are 'abandoned or neglected' or are currently being used in a way which prevents 'sustainable development'.

Find out more about the Community Right-to-Buy at https://www.gov.scot/policies/land-reform/community-right-to-buy/.



Community Asset Transfers



The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 gives community groups the right to request to take on the ownership, management or use of an asset (land or buildings) owned by public authorities, including the Council.

Successful* Community Asset Transfers can bring significant benefits to the applying group, the Council and the community as a whole.



Any group looking to make a Community Asset Transfer must check if they have an eligible legal structure before submitting an application.

Perth & Kinross Council has a policy and process in place to support community groups considering making an enquiry about a Council asset. Find out more at http://www.pkc.gov.uk/article/19819/Community-asset-transfer or email communityplanningpartnership@pkc.gov.uk.



*The transfer must provide benefits to the local community, from a social, economic, health or environmental perspective.

Participatory Budgeting

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Participatory Budgeting (PB) can either give residents an opportunity to influence how public bodies, like the Council, spend their budget; or can involve local residents directly deciding on how public money is spent in their community.

Local PB initiatives have already been successfully run a number of times in Perth and Kinross. (See the next page for more detailed stats!) Community groups have been invited to 'bid' for part of that funding, before a public vote selects the successful bidders.



Participatory Budgeting will continue to develop and the Scottish Government and CoSLA (Convention of Scottish Local Authorities) have signed up to a commitment to spend 1% of local authority budgets (based on the level of funding provided directly from the Scottish Government) through PB by 2021.

Find out more about Participatory Budgeting at https://pbscotland.scot/ or email communityplanningpartnership@pkc.gov.uk.

PERTH AND KINROSS DECIDES!

PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING EVENTS 2018

IN FEBRUARY/MARCH, RESIDENTS OF PERTH & KINROSS VOTED FOR WHAT COMMUNITY PROJECTS SHOULD BE FUNDED IN THEIR AREA. ALL OF THE PROJECTS AIM TO TACKLE LOCAL INEQUALITIES OR HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE ISSUES



FOR MORE INFORMATION: WWW.PKC.GOV.UK/COMMUNITYPLANNING

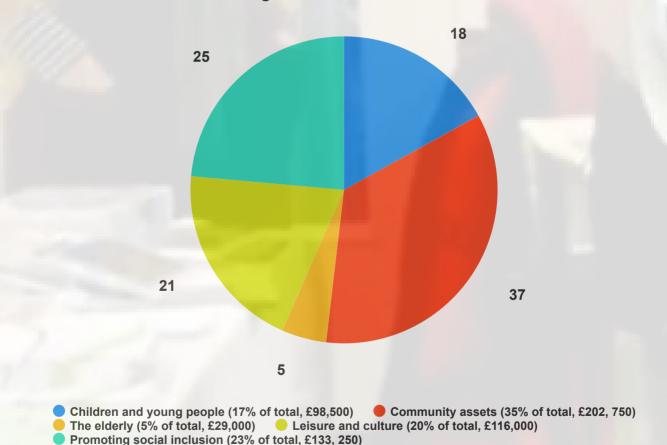
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Applications recommended for funding

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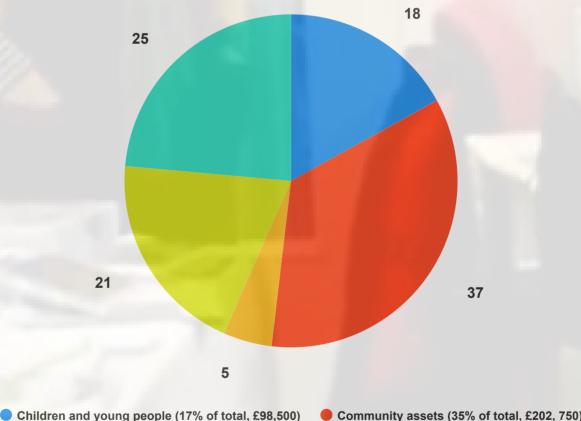
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Children and young people (17% of total, £98,500)
Community assets (35% of total, £202, 750)
The elderly (5% of total, £29,000)
Leisure and culture (20% of total, £116,000)
Promoting social inclusion (23% of total, £133, 250)

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