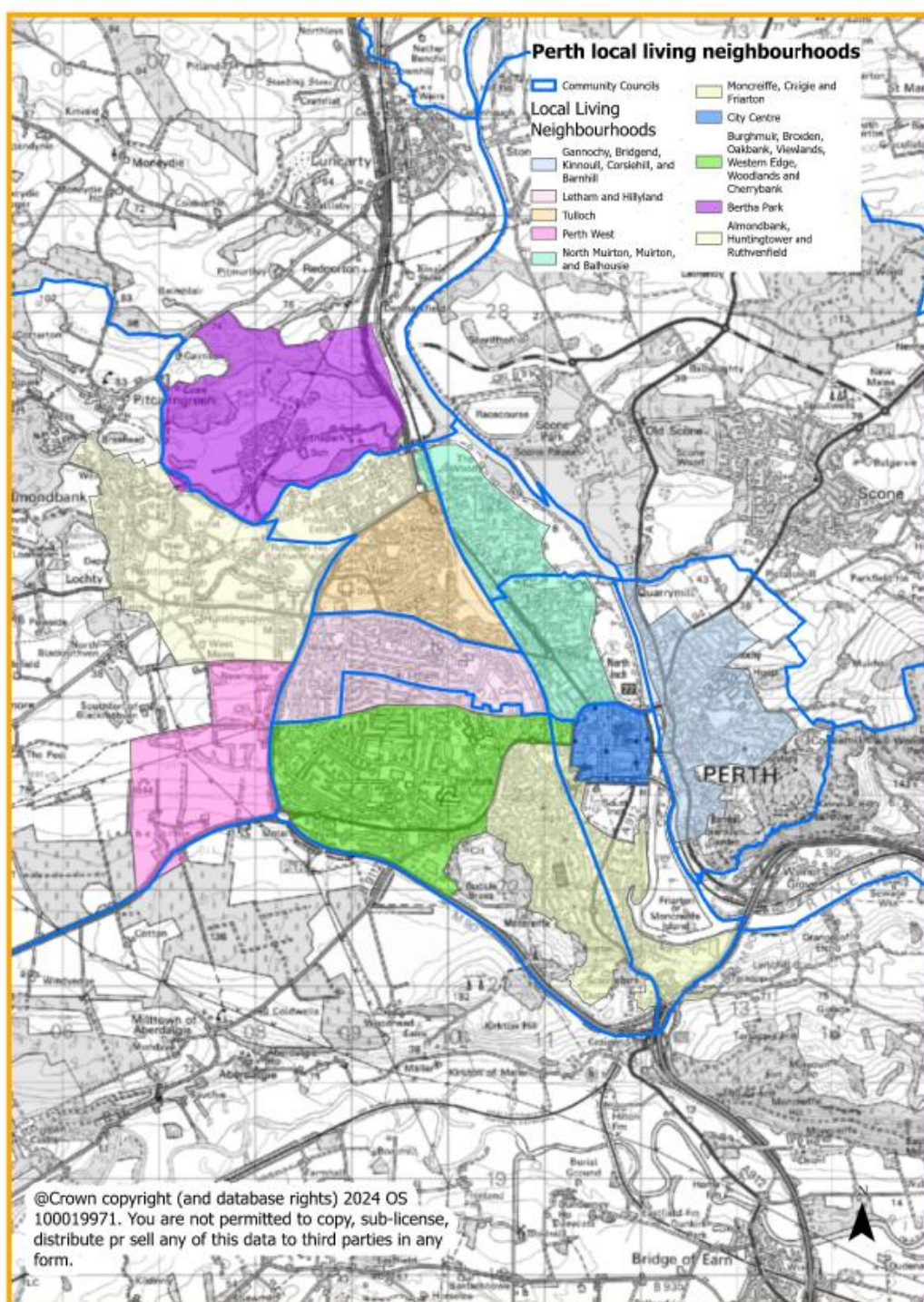


Community Council: Bridgend, Gannochy and Kinnoull

A different approach has been taken for Perth City, as the ward and community council areas do not always reflect the settlement, nor the neighbourhoods within it. Rather than using Community Council areas, because Scottish Government National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4) says LDPs should support local living/20-minute neighbourhoods it was considered that identifying local living areas within Perth city (taking account of Community Council areas where possible) would be a better focus for analysis. Gannochy, Bridgend, Kinnoull, Corsiehill, and Barnhill was one of the local living areas identified, the map below shows how Perth City was split into local living areas for the BPC analysis.

Map 1: Perth Local living neighbourhoods (also showing community council areas)



Perth Local Living neighbourhoods:

Gannochy, Bridgend, Kinnoull, Corsiehill, and Barnhill

This Local Living area covers the active community council area of Bridgend, Gannochy and Kinnoull. A settlement has existed here since the 16th century, the topography is challenging, and it is a largely low-density residential community. It sits immediately east of the city centre on the eastern bank of the River Tay, and Kinnoull hill and woodland lies to the south and east, and Quarrymill woodland park to the north. There are two main access roads connecting this area to the city centre, Perth/Smeaton's Bridge between Bridgend to Charlotte Street, and the Queens Bridge between Kinnoull and South Street. This area shares Kinnoull Primary which is centrally located, and local shops along Main street, whilst Murray Royal Hospital is located in Kinnoull providing mental health services for a wide catchment. There is good greenspace provision and active travel routes south of Perth/Smeaton's bridge on the banks of the River Tay including Bellwood Riverside Park, Norie Miller Walk and Rodney Gardens, and this is supplemented by other key green spaces including Millenium Park on Muirhall road, and Kinnoull Recreational Park on Dupplin Road, whilst Kinnoull Hill and woodland also provides great recreational routes.

We held Perth Central drop ins and a conversation event, the conversation event was not attended by residents providing comments specific to this local living area, however we received feedback from 3 online respondents. There was 1 from a member of the public, another from an elderly person, and one from another interested group. The results are not enough to make the place standard wheel meaningful; the key comments are summarised as follows.

Moving Around

Roads are not suitable for cycling, seek segregated cycle provision instead. Surface issues and treatment are not addressing the issue, there is a need to resurface entire roads.

Public Transport

No comments

Traffic & Parking

No comments

Streets, Squares & Buildings

Commercial landlords are letting buildings deteriorate, old buildings at Bridgend are in poor condition and the roads very busy. However, Rodney Gardens is considered to be well maintained.

Natural Spaces

Kinnoull Hill is a great place but lacks good connections to city centre without walking/cycling on very busy roads. Quarry Mill is also good. It is considered that things should be kept as natural as possible.

Play & Recreation

Park at Gannochy/Quarry Mill is good, but closing Rodney's has reduced facilities.

Facilities & Services

Would potentially benefit from more services, but doctors/chemists are accessible.

Work & Local Economy

No comments

Housing & Community

Good supportive neighbours.

Social Interaction

Walking is a good way to meet people, more general meeting/social places that are not commercial nor linked to a church are sought.

Identity & Belonging

Feel proud of Kinnoull.

Feeling Safe

Generally feels safe.

Care & Maintenance

Need to clean drains, and repair roads. Smeeton's bridge shop one example of a local landmark which is decaying whilst Rodney's needs attention.

Influence & Sense of Control

There are a number of high fences being constructed around Kinnoull which changes the character/ambience, but not sure if this needs permission/can be addressed. Queries paying for surveys and voting for important issues such as the vital hall, if published results are overridden.