Considerations and Influences in the Development of the Largo Area Local Place Plan

Introduction

This statement outlines the strategic frameworks, community feedback, and other key factors considered while creating the Largo Area Local Place Plan. Our goal is to build a plan that reflects the community's vision, aligns with broader regional and national goals, and addresses the evolving needs of our residents.

Legal Requirements and the Local Development Plan

We have carefully adhered to the following legal requirements for Local Place Plans:

- **The Local Development Plan (FIFEplan):** Fife's approved Local Development Plan provides specific policies and proposals for our region. Our Local Place Plan includes references and aligns with relevant designations within FIFEplan.

- **The National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4):** Scotland's NPF4 sets out a national context for development. We have considered its spatial principles, priorities, and policies during our planning process.

- **Locality Plans:** Where applicable, we align with relevant goals of Locality Plans in our area.

Note: To avoid potential confusion, it's important to understand that Fife Council has two distinct plans: "FIFEplan" (the Local Development Plan) and "The Plan for Fife" (the Local Outcome Improvement Plan).

Core Guiding Framework

- **The Plan for Fife 2017-2027:** This overarching framework for the Fife region provided a foundation for our Local Place Plan, ensuring alignment with the goals of:

  - Opportunities for All

  - Thriving Places

  - Inclusive Growth and Jobs

  - Community Led Services

Strategic Alignment

Our Local Place Plan integrates with and supports the objectives of the following key strategic plans:

- **Fife's New Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plan:** Addressing the climate crisis is vital, and our plan aligns with Fife's commitment to sustainability and reduced environmental impact.

- **Fife's Biodiversity Plan:** Protecting and enhancing biodiversity is essential; this plan guides our efforts to maintain and improve our natural environment.

Consultation and Incorporation of Other Resources

We thoughtfully considered insights from various plans and strategies during our planning process. These include:

- **Fife Local Housing Strategy**

- **Fife Climate Action Plan**

- **Fife Transport Strategy**

- **Recovery and Renewal Plan**

- **Levenmouth Community Plan**

- **Fife Biodiversity Action Plan**

- **National Performance Outcome**

Addressing Community Challenges: The NE Fife Rural Poverty Action Plan

The NE Fife Rural Poverty Action Plan highlights critical themes that are also relevant to our local area. Our Local Place Plan aligns with these priorities:

- **Climate Crisis**

- **Food Insecurity**

- **Access to Services**

- **Income Maximisation**

- **Lived Experience**

- **Family Support**

- **Crisis/Cost of Living Support**

- **Social Isolation & Mental Health**

Community-Driven Outcomes

The Largo Area Local Place Plan, developed by Largo Communities Together, the Largo Area Community Council, and the Local Place Plan Steering Group, is a testament to our dedication to a sustainable, accessible, and vibrant community. Our proposals reflect both ambition and realism, aiming to preserve the best of our community while addressing needed improvements.

The community's voice has been instrumental in shaping this plan. We considered diverse needs and interests across various demographics to ensure the plan benefits everyone.

Our proposals are organized under these broad, interconnected categories:

- **Housing and Built Environment**
- **Roads and Infrastructure**
- **Active Travel**
- **Environment and Recreation**
- **Cultural, Community, and Care**

Conclusion

The Largo Area Local Place Plan aims for a community that thrives for years to come. Through strategic alignment, careful consideration of relevant plans, and meaningful community engagement, we believe this plan offers a solid foundation for positive change.

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