

LOCAL PLACE PLAN SURVEY - 2024

A community consultation about the future development of the Strathblane/Blanefield area, on behalf of Strathblane Community Council and Strathblane Community Development Trust.



The community of Strathblane, Blanefield, Mugdock and Carbeth

Dear Resident

This is your chance to comment, anonymously, on your local community, and to let us know what could be done to make our villages even better places to live in, work in and visit.

We carried out a survey similar to this in 2009 and produced our Community Action Plan in 2011. This was used to prioritise projects and as evidence of community support for grant applications. Since then we have delivered allotments, an improved paths network, play facilities and the Thomas Graham Community Library. Rural Stirling Housing Association have delivered 18 new homes for affordable rent.

First, some background about the community:

While we wait for the results of the 2021 Census, the 2011 Census showed that the Strathblane Community Council area had a population of 2,400, of whom about 900 lived in Blanefield, 800 lived in Strathblane and nearly 700 lived in the rest of the community. There were 1043 dwellings and 994 resident households.

Official estimates for 2020 show that nearly a quarter of the population are above retirement age and another quarter are aged between 50 and 64, meaning almost half are over 50. Less than 20% are under 18. Just over one third of the families are couples with no children.

Most people (90%) have cars and over half have two cars. Nearly two thirds of the residents live in households with a combined income of over £40,000. A third of the population are classed as professional or managerial.

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation ranking gives an indication of deprivation relative to the rest of Scotland in 2020, with lower scores showing more deprivation. Blanefield is ranked 82 out of 100, Strathblane 76, while Mugdock/Carbeth/Moor Road are ranked at 68 out of 100 (due to poorer access to services and a higher crime rate).

You can follow the Local Place Plan process and review background materials, including the Housing Needs Survey (2020), on the Community Council website: <https://strathblanecc.org.uk/topics/planning/local-place-plan-2024/>.

The success of this consultation is dependent on you answering these questions. You do not have to answer every question, although we would like you to do so. We would appreciate your support in doing this to help to sustain and improve the community.

Life in the village

We ask you to tell us about daily life in your community.

1. 1. How long have you lived in this area?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ less than 1 year
- ☐ 1 to under 5 years
- ☐ 5 to under 10 years
- ☐ 10+ years
- ☐ don't know/remember

2. 2. In the last few months, where did you **usually** go to do the following activities (excluding online)?

Tick all that apply.

	Village	Milngavie	Killlearn/Balfron	Glasgow	Stirling
Regular household/food shopping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other shopping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GP (family doctor)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dentist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hospital	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Childcare	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School, college, university	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Work/place of employment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Another sports facility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Museum/art gallery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hobby/leisure interest class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wildlife sanctuary/reserve/country park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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3. 3. In the last few months, did you use the internet to do either of the following?
(Please tick all that apply.)

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Regular household/food shopping
- ☐ Other shopping

4. 4. What type of transport did you use **most often** when undertaking these activities?*Mark only one oval per row.*

	Car	Walk	Taxi	Bicycle	Motorbike	Bus
Regular household/food shopping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other shopping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (family doctor)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dentist	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
School, college, university	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Work/place of employment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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5. 5. If a better bus service or community bus was available from the village to the destinations below, please indicate if you would use the bus to travel to those destinations.

Please tick for each.

Tick all that apply.

☐ Would not use the bus

☐ Mugdock

☐ Carbeth

☐ Bearsden/Milngavie

☐ Killearn

☐ Balfron

☐ Kirkintilloch

☐ Glasgow

☐ Stirling

☐ Other: _____

6. 6. Do you own or use an electric vehicle?

Tick all that apply.

☐ Yes; I have a charger at home

☐ Yes; I need a public charging point

☐ Not yet; I have space for a charger at home

☐ Not yet; I would need a public charging point

☐ I have no intention of doing so

7. 7. Has reducing the speed of traffic travelling through the village to 20 mph made a difference?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Better than it was

☐ Not much difference

☐ Worse than it was

8. 8. Why do you say that about the new speed limit?

9. 9. Thinking of the services and facilities currently available in the village, how important are the following in improving life in your community?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Very important	Quite important	Not really important	Not important at all	No opinion
Creating and preserving local jobs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's play park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Playing fields	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public transport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Child care provision	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Meeting the needs of older people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Keeping the local environment attractive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Preserving the green belt	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to Glasgow hospitals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Keeping the Kirkhope Inn open	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adult education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Activities for young people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please answer the question)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10. 10. If you stated 'other' in the last question, what is it and how important is it?

11. 11. A recent Housing Needs Study found that the local area needs more housing in the 'affordable' category (e.g. low-cost ownership, social rented housing) and more homes for downsizing to release large family homes for purchase.

What kind of additional housing do you think is needed for the community?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
Affordable, quality housing to rent	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low-cost home ownership	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Self-build housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing to downsize	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify in the next question)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. 12. What other kind of housing do you think is needed, if any?

13. 13. If you agreed that new housing is needed, where do you think such new homes could be built?

14. 14. If you disagree that any new homes are needed here, please say why.

15. 15. Do you or your household currently have a need for any of the following?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Affordable, quality housing to rent

☐ Low cost home ownership

☐ Self-build housing

☐ Housing to downsize

☐ Other: _____

16. 16. How do you feel about living in your neighbourhood?

Mark only one oval.

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17. 17. Over the past year, would you say that your neighbourhood has.....?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ improved
- ☐ stayed about the same
- ☐ got worse

18. 18. Why do you say that?

19. 19. Which of the following are you **most** concerned about in your area?

Tick all that apply.

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Damage/vandalism to your property
- ☐ Damage/vandalism to public property (e.g. schools, playgrounds or bus stops)
- ☐ Housebreaking
- ☐ Violence in the street
- ☐ Personal theft/mugging
- ☐ Graffiti
- ☐ Speeding/dangerous traffic
- ☐ Pavement parking
- ☐ Car Crime
- ☐ Anti social neighbours
- ☐ Domestic violence
- ☐ Sexual violence
- ☐ Drugs/drug dealing
- ☐ People drinking in public places
- ☐ Racism
- ☐ Groups of young people in the street
- ☐ Other: _____

20. 20. How much do you agree with the following statements about your neighbourhood?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
This is a good place to bring up children	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
This is a good place to grow old	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel like I belong to this neighbourhood	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Given the opportunity I would like to move away	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe my neighbours would help in an emergency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would be willing to work together with others on something to improve my neighbourhood	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I plan to remain a resident of this neighbourhood indefinitely	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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21. 21. Which of the following would you like to see improved/developed?

Tick as many as apply.

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Old railway line for walkers and cyclists from Station Rd to West Highland Way
- ☐ Milndavie Glen
- ☐ Children's play areas
- ☐ Signage for walkers and cyclists
- ☐ Car parking provision
- ☐ Playing field drainage
- ☐ Sports Pavilion
- ☐ Electric vehicle charging points
- ☐ Electric bicycle charging points
- ☐ Public toilets
- ☐ Cemetery extension
- ☐ Walking access from the village to the Campsies
- ☐ Small business units
- ☐ Other: _____

22. 22. How important do you feel it is to add, protect, or improve the following amenities to sustain the community?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Very important	Quite important	Not really important	Not important at all
Facilities for young people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sports and leisure facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public transport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improved parks and open spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public toilets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's play areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Health care facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Space for local businesses to develop	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor gym	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Walking access from the village to	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Local Local shops shops	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post office Post office	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

23. 23. Which of these local shops/facilities have you used in the last month?
Tick all that apply

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Greens
- ☐ ShopSmart (Vishnu's)
- ☐ Roots Hairdresser
- ☐ Strathblane barbers
- ☐ Chemist
- ☐ Post Office
- ☐ Wilsons cafe
- ☐ Chillis
- ☐ Kirkhouse Inn
- ☐ Library
- ☐ Village Club
- ☐ Edmonstone Hall
- ☐ Kirk rooms
- ☐ St Mocha at Carbeth
- ☐ Local trades (builders, plumbers, etc)
- ☐ Local therapists
- ☐ Edenmill Farm
- ☐ Mugdock Country Park
- ☐ Oscars
- ☐ Baxter Tax
- ☐ Smithy art gallery
- ☐ Violet Leaf

24. 24. How important do you feel it is for Strathblane Community Council and/or Strathblane Community Development Trust to be doing more on sustainability and climate change?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Very important (please answer the next question)
- ☐ Quite important (please answer the next question)
- ☐ Not really important
- ☐ Not important at all

25. 25. If, in the previous question, you think it is important, what kinds of things should we be doing?

26. 26. Where do you find most of your information on things to do in this area?
Please tick for each that applies.

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Blane Valley Bulletin
- ☐ Leaflets and posters in a library
- ☐ Noticeboards
- ☐ Word of mouth from friends and relatives
- ☐ Local shops
- ☐ Strathblanefield Facebook group
- ☐ Whats on in G63 Facebook page
- ☐ Local website
- ☐ Internet search engine (e.g. Google, Mozilla, etc)
- ☐ Local Newspaper
- ☐ Other: _____

27. 27. Which clubs/groups do you attend, in the village or elsewhere?
Please tick for all that apply and indicate where.

Tick all that apply.

	In the village	Elsewhere
Football Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bowling Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Karate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yoga/pilates/zumba/fitness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Book group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Film club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Church Group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fun hut	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choir/music	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cubs, Brownies, Guides, Scouts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strathblane Heritage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pipe Band	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify in the next question)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

28. 28. If 'Other', which groups and where?

29. 29. Would you like to be consulted or involved in future projects in the local area?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ Maybe

☐ No

30. 30. If yes, how would you like to be consulted or involved? *Please tick as many as apply.*

Tick all that apply.

☐ Occasional surveys

☐ Public exhibitions

☐ Social media

☐ Blane Valley Bulletin

☐ Discussion point in the library

☐ Sticker boards in public places to show support

☐ Public meetings

☐ Joining a steering group

☐ One-off focus group

☐ Online consultation/discussion platform

☐ Other: _____

Household composition and you

We would now like to ask some questions about you and your household, to know how representative our survey is.

All answers will remain anonymous and confidential.

31. 31. Are you answering this questionnaire on behalf of your household or just yourself?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ My household
- ☐ Only myself

32. 32. Where do you live?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Blanefield
- ☐ Strathblane
- ☐ Mugdock
- ☐ Carbeth/Auchengillan/Auchineden
- ☐ Moor Road
- ☐ Other: _____

33. 33. How many adults (over 16 years) are there in your household?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4
- ☐ More than 4

34. 34. How many children (under 16 years) are there in your household?

Mark only one oval.

☐ 0

☐ 1

☐ 2

☐ 3

☐ 4

☐ More than 4

35. 35. Do you identify as...?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Female

☐ Male

☐ Prefer not to say

☐ Other: _____

36. 36. What is your age-group?

Mark only one oval.

☐ 12 - 15 years

☐ 16 - 24 years

☐ 25 - 34 years

☐ 35 - 44 years

☐ 45 - 54 years

☐ 55 - 64 years

☐ 65 - 74 years

☐ 75+ years

37. 37. What do you do?

Tick all that apply.

- ☐ Retired
- ☐ Look after house/family
- ☐ In full-time education
- ☐ Work full-time
- ☐ Work part-time
- ☐ Voluntary work
- ☐ Unemployed
- ☐ Permanently sick or disabled
- ☐ Other: _____

38. 38. Do you work from home?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes, all/most of the time
- ☐ Some of the time
- ☐ No

39. 39. Which of these best describes your ethnic origin?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ White
- ☐ Black, Black British, Caribbean or African
- ☐ Asian or British Asian
- ☐ Mixed or multiple ethnic group
- ☐ Prefer not say
- ☐ Other: _____

What next?

40. 40. Following on from this survey, we will be undertaking a series of discussion groups to look at residents' views in more detail. Would you be happy to participate in one of these groups?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ Maybe

☐ No

41. 41. If yes or maybe, please provide your contact details (email or phone number). *Please be aware that, while you will no longer be anonymous, your answers will remain confidential.*

If you would rather let us know independently of this questionnaire to preserve your anonymity, please send your contact details to the following email:
contact@strathblanecc.org.uk

Thanks!

We would like to thank you very much for completing this questionnaire. We will publicise the summary results in the Blane Valley Bulletin and Community Council website, with a plan for how it will be acted on.

All answers will be published in aggregate form, so no one will have their personal details shown. The data will be held securely until the analysis has been completed and then will be destroyed. Access will be limited to those conducting the analysis.

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