

ways and walks in Leith, with points of interest, is available.

- Main thoroughfares are more pedestrian friendly.
- More people will be supported towards achieving mental wellbeing.

By 2014 we want people to be encouraged and given opportunities to adopt healthier and more active lifestyles.

Provide opportunities for people to move into paid employment

You told us that you were concerned about the lack of employment opportunities for people in Leith. You said that you were concerned about how the lack of paid work can lead to poor mental health and the downward spiral.

The planned outcomes which the Partnership will work towards are:

- More people will have an understanding of the range of employment / jobseekers services in Leith.
- More childcare places are available over a range of times to enable parents /carers to take up training and / or employment opportunities.
- More local businesses and organisations are supported to provide volunteering / job experience opportunities.
- Leith residents will have access to a mentoring scheme which links skilled volunteers with jobseekers.
- More people can access core skills training.

By 2014 we want more Leith residents to have opportunities to move into paid employment.



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Leith Neighbourhood Partnership

Local Community Plan 2011 to 2014

LEITH

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Leith has a diverse community that thrives on working together and in partnerships to improve the area. Leith Neighbourhood Partnership provides a structure in which people can work together effectively.

The people who live and work in the area know best what Leith needs. Over the past 3 years more than a thousand Leithers have made their views known to the Partnership in surveys and discussions to identify five top priorities and how they should be tackled. A further 1500 local residents told the Edinburgh People's Survey of the five priorities that they would like to see addressed. Local organisations and groups have also provided additional information to build a body of evidence of what Leith people want to see happen in their locality. This plan sets 5 priorities for making Leith a better place in which to live and work, with information on how this can be achieved.

The priorities are supported by an Action Plan which sets out how Leith Neighbourhood Partnership will achieve each priority's outcomes. It notes realistic solutions to local issues.

Reduce the amount of mess on our streets

You told us that you want a cleaner Leith. Dog fouling and litter are the things you are most unhappy about.

For the past 3 years this has continued to be one of the main priorities for the Leith Neighbourhood Partnership. There have been some improvements. For example, the reintroduction of Barrowbeats (hand pushed barrows) has had a positive impact, but we need to do more. You also said that the areas most in need of improvement are Leith Walk, Great Junction Street, the Kirkgate and Duke Street

The planned outcomes which the Partnership will

work towards are:

- More people recycle materials.
- Bins are in good repair and kept in their proper location.
- More dog owners clean up after their pets.
- More people dispose of their litter appropriately.

By 2014 we want there to be less mess on the streets of Leith.

Make it easier and safer to walk, cycle and drive on our roads and streets

You told us that you want our roads and pavements to be better maintained and easier to use. You want everyone to be able to enjoy the environment and get around the area easily. Recent road-works in the area have had a detrimental affect and this needs to be rectified.

The planned outcomes which the Partnership will work towards are:

- More children walk or cycle to school.
- Streets are less cluttered.
- People find it easier to walk in Leith.
- Increased opportunities for people to cycle.
- Fewer people use private cars for short journeys.
- More roads and pavements are kept clear through winter.

By 2014 we want it to be easier and safer to walk, cycle and drive in Leith.

Create an environment where people feel safe

You told us that you want to feel safer on the streets. Anti-social behaviour, mainly linked to the use of



drugs and alcohol, continues to be a major concern in our neighbourhood. Leith is a safe place but some people have said that they are concerned for their safety, particularly after dark. This was raised by young people as one of the main issues for them. Surveys show that Leith people are significantly less satisfied with community safety than in other parts of the city.

Some of the planned outcomes which the Partnership will work towards are:

- More people / groups are involved in the Safer Neighbourhood Team planning, where local people set priorities for the area.
- Fewer complaints about late night noise from pubs and restaurants.
- Fewer complaints about youth disorder.
- More people are supported in overcoming drug and alcohol dependencies.
- Greater use of public space for family and leisure activities.

By 2014 we want people to feel safe in Leith.

Provide opportunities for people to adopt healthier, more active lifestyles

You told us that you want to feel healthier and fitter. You said that healthy eating and exercise need to go together to tackle rising obesity rates. You were particularly concerned about how poverty impacts on health. You feel that better access to open spaces would help achieve healthier lifestyles.

The planned outcomes which the Partnership will work towards are:

- More people have the opportunity to attend gardening classes.
- More people have access to advice about good nutrition and cooking.
- There are more accessible pathways to physical activity and healthy living.
- More Information about safe, accessible cycle-