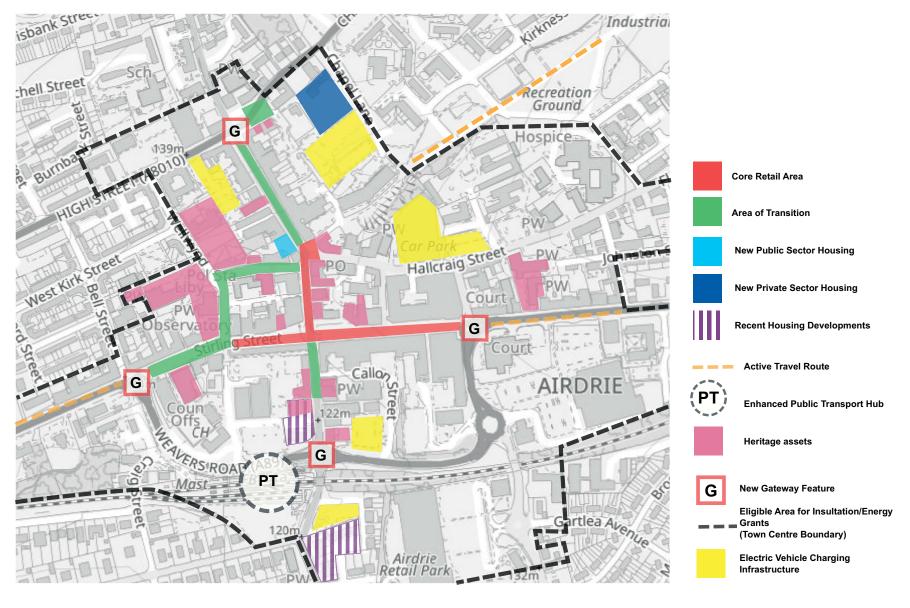
Town Action Plan

Airdrie (Consultative Draft)





The Action Plan Proposals Map



Key Developments

Economic Prosperity

While the ambition for all of our town centres is to move towards a more mixed use offering to improve resilience and recognize the shift in how we use our town centres, the Council wants to retain and support the retail sector and assist it's recovery from the double impacts of an economic downturn and the Covid Pandemic.

We will identify a core area where we will seek to retain retailing and encourage traders from more marginal areas to relocate to over time through potential grant assistance.

Town Centre Living

Encouraging more people to live in town centres is a key policy aspiration for the Council underpinning priorities around sustainability, net zero, inclusion and well being. More people living in town centres means more support for local businesses. It means keeping bus routes active. It means a safer environment thanks to passive policing. These all make a town more attractive to visitors which in turn means more benefits to the local economy.

The Council is developing pilot projects to promote town centre living at the former Orrs Department Store on South Bridge Street and the Police Station on Anderson Street, These demonstrator projects will hopefully kick start the private sector into investing in the wider town centre outwith the core retail area.

Movement & Active Travel

The connection between the town centre and significant developments such as the Town Hub and major education and leisure assets will be promoted through the introduction of Active Travel routes.

The Council will continue to work with public transport providers to secure the retention of vital bus services to ensure that people can move to and from the town centre throughout the day in an effort to improve the night time economy.

Built Heritage & Place

The Council will secure its own heritage assets for the future by repurposing them towards sustainable uses such as housing and community use. We will also work with the private sector to protect and enhance buildings of character within town centres to encourage a sense of place.

Transition to Net Zero

The Council will ensure that all new build developments comply with the latest building regulations which seek to enhance the energy efficiency of buildings and reduce waste. We will also investigate the potential for grant assistance to allow owner occupiers to insulate their properties and introduce non carbon heating systems.

The shift away from carbon based fuels to electronic vehicles will be supported by the roll out of additional EV charging points throughout our town centre car parks and at public facilities.



Wider Town Proposals

Housing

The Council is seeking to develop additional housing for rent at the following locations:

- Northburn Place, 31 units, terraced houses and cottage flats, mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed properties.
- Dykehead Road (Holehills), 150 units, terraced houses, bungalows and cottage flats, mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed properties.
- Former Orrs Building, 20 units, flatted development, mix of 1 and 2 bed properties.
- Petersburn Road, 40 units, terraced houses, bungalows and cottage flats, mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed properties.
- Glenacre Drive, 16 units, terraced houses and cottage flats, mix of 2, 3 and 4 bed properties.

The wider Airdrie area has land supply with a capacity for the development of 2187 private sector houses over the next ten years

The Towers Reprovisioning Programme is seeking to demolish high rise towers and block properties and replace with quality low rise flatted, terraced and semi detached housing to meet the needs of the local community.

Employment

The wider Airdrie area has 152Ha of industrial and business land to be developed to generate local jobs.

Education

In addition to the Town Hub mentioned earlier to include St Margaret's HS and its feeder primary schools, the wider Airdrie area has recently seen the development of Hilltop and Toll Brae primary schools. Other schools in scope for redevelopment include all schools built before 1996. New nursery provision has also been developed at Calderview and Petersburn.

Public Transport

While a national conversation about the shape of future public transport is required, particularly in terms of cost, ticketing, coverage and responsiveness the council will work with partners to identify local gaps and how they can be filled to ensure the community has access to the town centre and its regional transport links throughout the day.

Green Network

The area has significant green infrastructure in the form of Brownsburn Park and Chapelhall. The Council will ensure that communities are connected to these assets through safe active travel routes.

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Council new supply programme - new build sites



Location	Units	Status	Completion date
Clarkston PS	19	Completed	2011/12
Former Albert PS	14	Completed	2014/15
Former St Aloysius PS, Chapelhall	30	Completed	2017/18 (24), 2018/19 (6)
Former Alexandra PS	14	Completed	2018/19
Plains PS	16	On site	
McArthur Ave, Glenmavis	21	Planning app approved	
Northburn Place	31	On site	
Dykehead Rd (Holehills)	150	On site	
Calderigg Place	30	Design development underway	
Former Peterburn PS	40	Design development underway	
Glenacre Drive	15	Design development underway	
Gibb St, Chapelhall	40	Design development underway	

Schools - year built

School	Status	Completion date
Airdrie Academy	Completed	2006
St Aloysius PS	Completed	2006
St Mary's PS	Completed	2006
Glengowan PS	Completed	2006
Chapelhall PS	Completed	2006
Clarkston PS	Completed	2008
Plains PS	Completed	2008
St David's PS	Completed	2008



Town centre / edge of town projects





Development	Objective	Completion date		
	Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) projects			
Broomknoll Street Church	Construction of 30 affordable homes at the former Church site (and surrounding land) by Clyde Valley Housing Association (incl additional grant funding to be provided through North Lanarkshire Council to meet the budget gap required to support this conversion/new build project).	2021		
Mill Loan	Construction of 16 affordable homes by Clyde Valley Housing Association.	2022		
Orrs	Demolition of the former Orrs building and construction of 20 residential units (over a new commercial platform) by a private developer that will then be purchased by North Lanarkshire Council as part of the council's new pathfinder development model.	2022		
Other town centre projects				
Buchanan / Hallcraig Street	Structural and refurbishment works to safeguard a key town centre building on the corner of Buchanan and Hallcraig Street including shops and residential flats.	2022		
Graham Street	Structural works to safeguard a key town centre building on Graham Street (Airdrie) and allow conversion of upper floors for residential use.	2022		
Airdrie Town House	Feasibility study investigating the redevelopment options for either commercial space or residential space.	2021		

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Tower programme

Works / Name	Status	Completion
Fire risk assessments - Milton Court, Pentland Court, Cheviot Court, Merrick Court	Completed	2019
Fire doors and fire stopping - Milton Court	Completed	2019
Emergency lighting - Milton Court	Completed	2020
Demolition - Northburn Place low rise	Completed	2019
Demolition - Holehills Merrick Court, Holehills Pentland Court, Holehills Cheviot Court	Completed	2021
Electric heating upgrade - Milton Court	Works still to commence	2022
Lift replacement (phase 2) - Milton Court	Works scheduled to commence 2021/22	2022/23



Greenspace

Greenspace		Investment work 2014-21
Brownsburn Community Nature Park,	Local Nature Reserve	Biodiversity projects and paths.
Chapelhall	Greenspace	Investment in woodland management

Programme of Actions

Site/Address	Activity/Developer	Proposal	Timescale
Economic Prosperity & Stability			
Core Retail Area	Financial Grant Fund/NLC, Scot Gov't & Others	Investigate the establishment of a financial fund to enable the redevelopment of vacant retail/commercial spaces to a modern specification	SHORT
Town Centre Living			
Police Station, Anderson Street	Refurbishment for Residential/NLC	Police Scotland have identified Airdrie Police Stration as being surplus to their long term requirements. In an effort to retain the building a feasibility study has demonstrated that the building can be converted in xx flats. Police Scotland will be encouraged to market the building for a residential use.	MEDIUM
Movement & Active Travel			
Town Centre to Town Hub site	Active Travel Route/NLC	Develop an active travel route	MEDIUM
Town centre to Brownsburn Park.	Active Travel Route/NLC	Develop an active travel route	MEDIUM
Heritage & Place			
Airdrie Townhouse, Bank Street	Refurbishment/NLC	Develop a grant for owner occupiers to improve the energy efficiency of their homes and to transition away from carbon fueled heating systems.	MEDIUM
Transition to Net Zero			
Town Centre wide	Financial Grant Fund/NLC, Scot Gov't & Others	Develop a grant for owner occupiers to improve the energy efficiency of their homes and to transition away from carbon fueled heating systems.	MEDIUM
Town & Community Hubs			
St Margaret's High School and Airdrie Sports Centre Rawyards	Town Hub/NLC	Develop a Town Hub	MEDIUM



HAVE YOUR SAY

The public response to this draft Town Action Plan is very important, we are seeking public support and buy in to the proposals. More importantly we want to promote discussion and debate to identify further actions which will deliver the town centre that the community want and deserve.

CONTACT

We want your views on our plans for the economic regeneration of North Lanarkshire.

You can provide written feedback by email to growthteam@northlan.gov.uk or by post to: North Lanarkshire Council Growth Team,

Civic Centre, Motherwell, ML1 1AB

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