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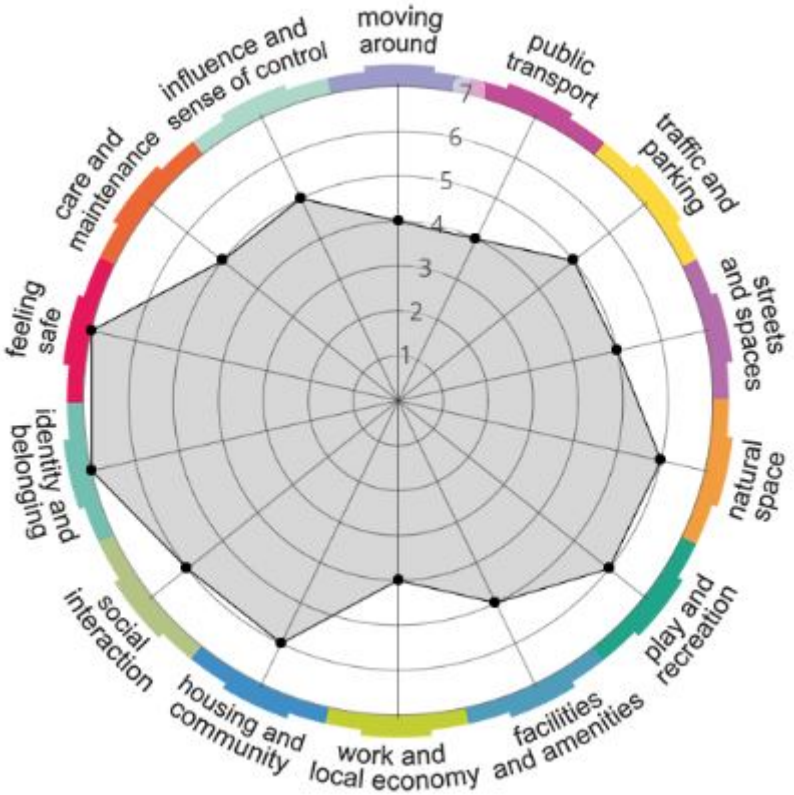

Priority Areas for Improvement:

Moving Around

Public Transport

Work and Local Economy

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How good is your place? Area wide engagement results using the Place Standard Tool

Between May and October 2019, the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) used the Place Standard tool to engage residents in Argyll and Bute on how they feel about the place(s) that they live and work in Argyll and Bute.

We are very grateful to all the responses that we received. We hope you find the information easy to understand and of interest to you and your community.

We are pleased to see that the thematic areas of Natural Space, Feeling Safe, Identity and Sense of Belonging and Social Contact came out with the highest scores, needing the least improvement, when considering Argyll and Bute as a whole.

The engagement has been undertaken at a place-based level and respondents provided their postcode, groupings of postcodes have created the settlement/community level detail.

The results are available for community groups and partner agencies to use, for example, to assist with service planning or for community-led action plans.

Please note: The information is the views of individuals who responded to the engagement. We trust that the information provided will be viewed within the context of which it is provided. We are grateful to all those who have taken part in the consultation and believe in sharing information for openness and transparency.

We appreciate that the documents can be lengthy due to the amount of information and we hope that the format is user-friendly.

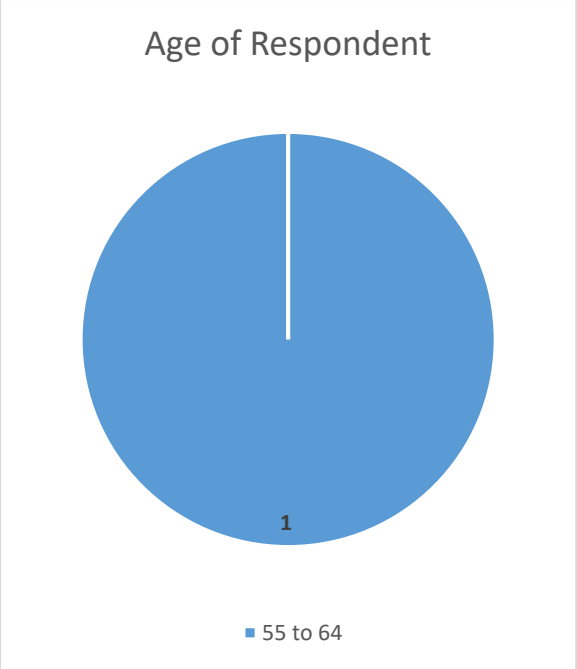
If you have any questions, please see our Frequently Asked Questions Guide or contact Community Planning by e-mail: cppadmin@argyll-bute.gov.uk , phone: 01546 604 464.

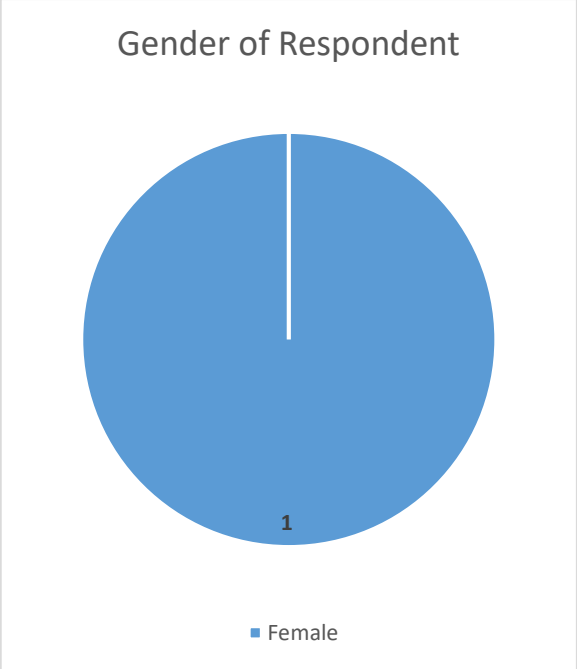
Next steps

This information is helping to shape plans for the area. Other information such as information from partners' data and statistics is also used to consider priorities for improvement. The CPP will analyse the information to identify priority themes for improvement within each of the four administrative areas and shape actions to address these where this is possible with resources.

We are currently mapping out what activity is already happening, what is planned within the next 3-4 years and where the gaps are. This information will be considered by both the CPP Management Committee and the Area Community Planning Groups to shape the actions.

The final agreed actions will become part of our four Area Community Planning Action Plans, due to be refreshed in 2021. To get involved, contact your local Area Community Planning Group.





Thematic areas by lowest score to highest score

Thematic Area	Average Score
Moving Around	4.0
Public Transport	4.0
Work and Local Economy	4.0
Traffic and Parking	5.0
Streets and Spaces	5.0
Facilities and Amenities	5.0
Care and Maintenance	5.0
Influence and Sense of Control	5.0
Natural Space	6.0
Play and Recreation	6.0
Housing and Community	6.0
Social Contact	6.0
Identity and Belonging	7.0
Feeling Safe	7.0

Q1. Moving Around: Can I easily walk and cycle around using good-quality routes?

1 response in total – Average Score of 4.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

There are cycle routes around Oban but they are limited in Mid Argyll. More would be great the main road is very busy.

Q2. Public Transport: Does public transport meet my needs?

1 response in total – Average Score of 4.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

I live in a small village - Ford - 12 miles from Lochgilphead. You don't expect great transport but the days the bus does run it does not tie in with other connections, e.g. to Oban.

Q3. Traffic and Parking: Do traffic and parking arrangements allow people to move around safely?

1 response in total – Average Score of 5.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Parking is expensive

Q4. Streets and Spaces: Do the streets and public spaces create an attractive place that is easy to navigate?

1 response in total – Average Score of 5.0							
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Comments

There is a regeneration project for Lochgilphead just getting started so I am sure it will improve things. Lochgilphead needs it spaces improved.

Q5. Natural Space: Can I experience good quality green spaces?

1 response in total – Average Score of 6.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

We have abundance of fresh air and countryside at our doorstep

Q6. Play and Recreation: Can I access a range of places for play and recreation?

1 response in total – Average Score of 6.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

No recorded comments

Q7. Facilities and Amenities: Does my place have the things I need to live and enjoy life? This could include shops, schools, libraries, health services or places to eat and drink.

1 response in total – Average Score of 5.0							
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Comments

Shops are closing down in Lochgilphead - I think rates are too dear for shopkeepers. We are very lucky to have a pool and sports club/gym.

Q8. Work and Local Economy: Is there an active local economy with good-quality work opportunities?

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Comments

Too many cuts to the local council are resulting in job losses and persons being left to do tasks from redundant posts on top of their own. There are plenty of volunteering opportunities. I believe expensive childcare for very young children is a problem.

Q9. Housing and Community: Do the homes in my area support the needs of the community?

1 response in total – Average Score of 6.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
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Comments

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Q10. Social Contact: Is there a range of spaces and opportunities to meet people?

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Comments

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Q11. Identity and Belonging: Does this place have a positive identity and do I feel I belong?

1 response in total – Average Score of 7.0							
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Comments

No recorded comments

Q12. Feeling Safe: Do I feel safe here?

1 response in total – Average Score of 7.0							
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Comments

No recorded comments

Q13. Care and Maintenance: Are buildings and spaces well cared for?

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Comments

It is the public who drop litter and do not care for the environment - not the Housing Association or the Local Authority that cause the problem. People need educated to act differently - very hard to do.

Q14. Influence and Sense of Control: Do I feel able to take part in decisions and help change things for the better?

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Comments

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What are the main issues and priorities for change that you have identified?

Ensure Lochgilphead regeneration is a success. Businesses need encouraged by affordable rates. Cycle and walkways connecting outlying villages are required

What actions could be taken to deal with these?

5 year plans with funding to improve cycle paths. Reductions on rates for small start-up businesses.

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Please contact cppadmin@argyll-bute.gov.uk for further information.

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