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Our Neighbourhood Plan for

Whitehill

Year
One

**2022-
2023**



This Plan sets out
priorities and aspirations
for our community
identified by residents
between May 2021
and March 2022.

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Introduction

A local group of community stakeholders has produced this plan. Most members are local residents and we are joined by representatives from key local agencies and organisations.

To ensure progress is made this plan will be updated on a yearly basis. This is the first phase of longer-term developments in our community.

You will see we have used the data gathered through the survey to set priority themes for the Whitehill area.

For this plan to work it needs you. Every resident, worker, volunteer or elected member in the area can help to bring about change and help us make the most of our shared resources. You can help in many ways by telling others about what's going on, by joining the community action group or the working groups to take forward some of the actions in the plan or simply enjoy and take part in what's happening around you.

If you live or work in the area and would like to get involved, please contact **0303 123 1017** or email communities@southlanarkshire.go.uk

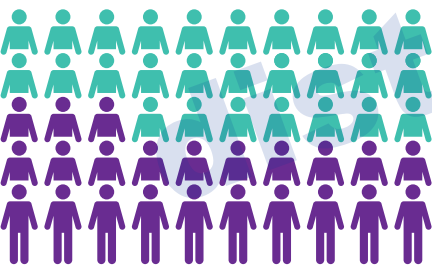


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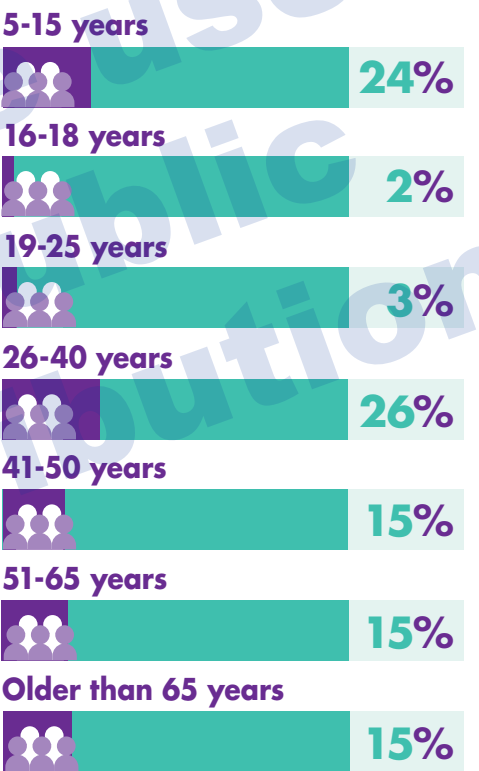
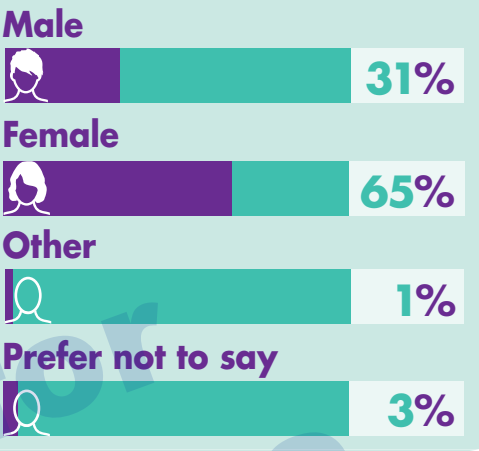
This neighbourhood plan has been informed by extensive community engagement carried out between May 2021 and March 2022. The process involved:

- Research into existing assets in Whitehill was undertaken to highlight the great work already taking place within the community.
- A number of meetings with local residents and representatives from key organisations in the area to design the methods of engagement to suit the community of Whitehill.
- A community survey delivered door to door which covered all households within the Whitehill area.
- Interviews with young people through strong partnership working with the local schools, Active Schools Coordinators and Universal Connections.

Thank you to everyone who took part!






420 people took part



Survey findings

What people like about Whitehill	Improvements/ new opportunities suggested
1 Play park and sports park improvements	 <p>People helping each other.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaner woodlands.
2 More leisure and social opportunities	 <p>Bothwell Road Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More social activities, for young people and older people.
3 Stronger and better communities	 <p>Community groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better use of the Community Centre.
4 Physical environment and housing improvements	 <p>The woods and nature trail.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More litter/dog waste bins.
5 Easier to get about/moving around	 <p>No comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better bus service.

What people like about Whitehill	Improvements/ new opportunities suggested
<p>6 Better education, training and employment opportunities</p> <p>The schools.</p>	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More learning activities and more activities for young people.
<p>7 Greater community safety</p> <p>People helping each other.</p>	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce anti-social behaviour and increase presence of Police/ community wardens.
<p>8 Health improvements</p> <p>The Military Veterans Garden.</p>	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More (affordable) sports activities.

Local groups

Community group	Contact details
Childcare in the Community – Nursery and Out of School Care	Whitehill Neighbourhood Centre 9 Hunter Road, Hamilton ML3 0LH Phone: 01698 477498/476586 Email: childcareinthecommunity@btconnect.com
Youth, Family and Community Learning	Whitehill Neighbourhood Centre 9 Hunter Road, Hamilton ML3 0LH Phone: 01698 476585
Adopt a Street	Jim Cuthbertson Email: jimcuthbertson50@outlook.com
Bothwell Road Action Group	info@bothwellroad.org www.bothwellroad.org www.facebook.com/bothwellroad
Joint Ex-Service Veterans Garden	Jim Poulton Phone: 07790 793715 Email: jimpoulton49@yahoo.co.uk
Whitehill Activity Group	Sharon Haig (Secretary) Email: whitehillactivitygroup@gmail.com
Whitehill Community Support Group	Suzanne Jaimeson Phone: 07375 384999 Email: suzannejamieson1@outlook.com
Whitehill Summer Fun Day Group	Jim Cuthbertson Email: jimcuthbertson50@outlook.com

What's good about Whitehill

Main themes

Count

	People helping each other	215
	Community groups	135
	The woods and nature trail	183
	The schools	112

What would you describe as resources within your community?

Count

	The shops	190
	Neighbourhood Centre	185
	Bothwell Road Park	214
	Universal Connections	62



The Stakeholders Group meets regularly and working groups will also be meeting to take forward some of the priority themes outlined in pages 4 and 5.

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If we see small changes, these will lead to bigger changes and hopefully bring Whitehill back to the way it used to be, over time. We need more people to engage in the community to make this work. Let everyone know and let's make the change.

**Local Stakeholder
Group Member**

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