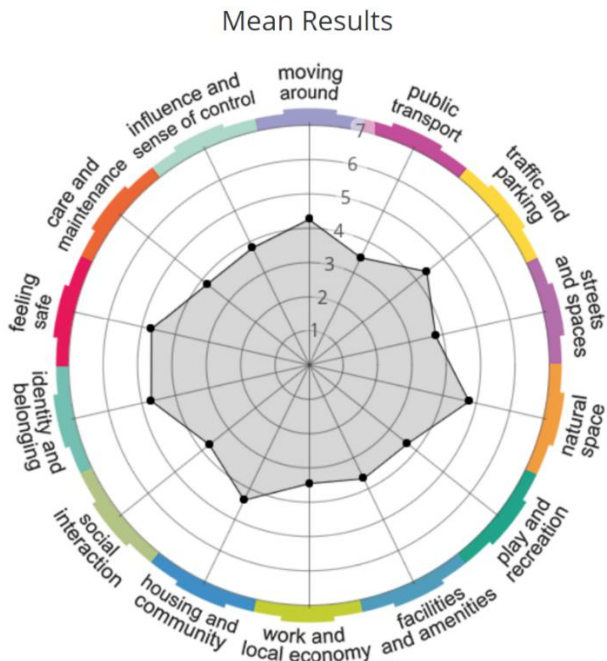


HOW THIS PLAN WAS MADE

A steering group of local community organisations, businesses and others worked with Community Action Lanarkshire, a project of the Rural Development Trust, and Community Links (South Lanarkshire), to undertake programme of community consultation including a survey - which attracted more than 350 responses - an open day and discussions with local people.



PLANS INTO ACTION

This is your plan and you are the key to making it happen.

If you want to talk about doing something about any of these ideas, you can email the Community Council at lesmahagowcc@outlook.com

You can also contact Lesmahagow Development Trust on info@lesmahagowdevtrust.com

The full plan can be downloaded from www.communityactionlan.org

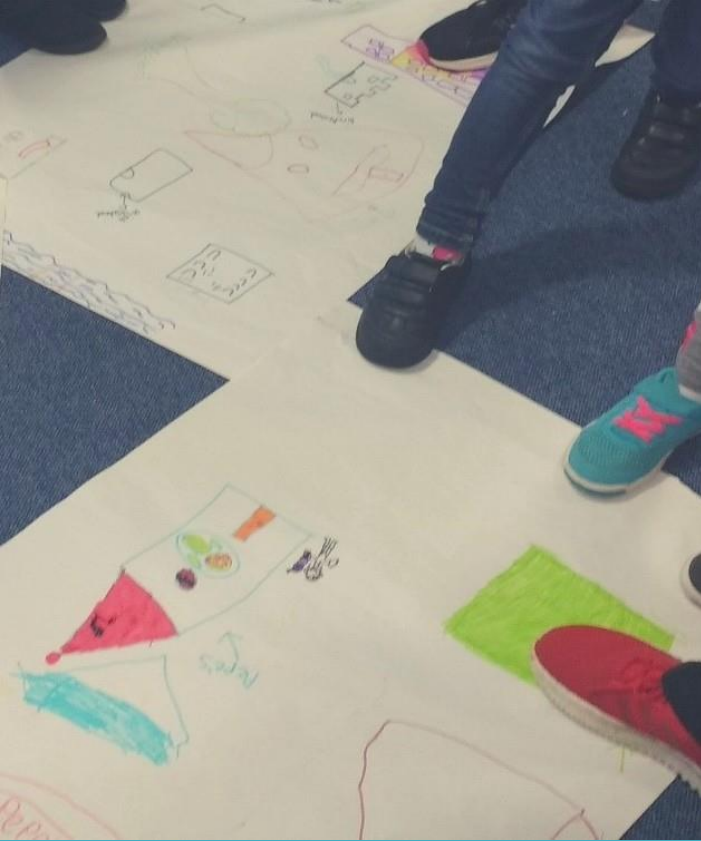


A COMMUNITY LED ACTION PLAN FOR LESMAHAGOW, BROCKETS BRAE & HAWKSLAND



COMMUNITY ACTION LANARKSHIRE





GOING OUT

A better looking Lesmahagow won't make a difference unless people can get out to enjoy it. Walking and cycling routes can be dangerous and unsuitable for people with mobility challenges. Public transport around the town is almost non-existent. The natural space around the town is a fantastic asset, but paths to it and through it are poorly kept and poorly known.

A community-led initiative to improve routes around the town, could enable people to get around more easily and to access the High Street, thus helping support and retain local shops and businesses.



LOOKING GOOD

The presentation of the village is a major concern for people. Abbeygreen is regarded as shabby and run-down. Streets and parks face problems with litter, fly-tipping and vandalism. Other elements of the built heritage are in poor repair and unavailable for community benefit.

A community-led initiative could turn transform the look of the town and build positive attitudes through both the process – people working together – and the product – a better looking Lesmahagow.



MEETING PEOPLE

Lesmahagow has a strong sense of community but there aren't enough chances for people to meet. The streets and parks offer few natural meeting points and the pubs and cafes are not attractive to everyone. Older people in outlying areas at risk of social isolation.

Improved opportunities to meet each other will create a better sense of community and a stronger platform to explore longer term plans and do more to improve Lesmahagow.