









Continuing to improve the health, safety and wellbeing of our citizens and communities

Our citizens will be supported to make positive health choices and lifestyles in order that they can live longer.

- (i) The Council approved a new Health Improvement Plan in August 2008. This plan sets out clear targets and actions for improving the health of individuals and our communities over the life of the plan.
- (ii) All our primary, secondary and special needs schools and nursery centres have now become health promoting, with 64 establishments achieving level 2 accreditation and 7 level one. 98% of our educational establishments are now health promoting. This helps encourage young people to pursue a healthier lifestyle. During 2007/08, the number of young people participating in Council health promoting activities more than doubled to 5,072 compared to 2,315 in 2006/07. The number of young people attending our leisure centres also increased by over 8,000 during the same period.
- (iii) The Council approved a Core Paths Plan in spring 2008. This plan develops the work contained within the Outdoor Access Strategy, that aims to promote the countryside to both residents and visitors. This last year has seen the implementation of the Braes and Bo'ness / Blackness paths network.
- (iv) The Council launched an Active Campaign in the summer of 2008. This promoted a range of activities from tea dances to organised sporting activities. This included opening the school swimming pools in Larbert and Braes High School to the public.
- (v) 24 active peer educators were recruited and trained in Grangemouth, Denny, Falkirk and Maddiston. These peer educators then delivered 47 training sessions since last year and have made contact with 823 young people.
- (vi) Over 200 young people were involved in the Commonhealth Games, incorporating physical activities and alcohol awareness, with a number of events from cycle trips to football matches. These activities were linked to the Straighttalk Peer Education Project.









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Local Outcome	Indicator	Performance in 2006/07 - Baseline	Performance in 2007/08	Nature of Change	By 2011 we will:	
Our citizens will be supported to make positive health choices so they can live longer	29	Delayed discharge from hospital greater than 6 weeks per 1,000 population admitted to hospital	1.1	0.2		Reduce
	30	% of schools designated as 'Health Promoting Schools'	4%	98%		100%
	31	% and breakdown of the local population taking part in culture/leisure activities	28,105	Sports Dev – 10766 OutRec – 2,330 Culture - tbc		Increase
	32	Leisure Centre admissions for adults	483,125	458,428		Increase
	33	Leisure Centre admissions for young people	388,792	396,834		Increase
	34	Leisure Centre admissions for Leisure cards	54,108	59,061		Increase
	35	The number of people participating in healthy lifestyle physical activity programmes	13,537	19,669		Increase
	36	The number of participants in sports development classes	7,637	10,766		Increase
	37	The number of young people participating in health promoting initiatives Falkirk Council	2,315	5,072		Increase

People will have equitable access to local health, support and care.

- (i) Earlier this year, the Council and our partners established two locality based children's teams that ensure we have a more holistic approach to meeting the needs of children and young people.
- (ii) Services and advice for people with Autism Spectrum Disorder were launched. These provided practical support and advice for young people and their families including ensuring staff have the essential skills required.
- (iii) During 2007/08 the number of carer assessments undertaken experienced a 3-fold increase by 970 assessments compared to 2006/07. We also increased the percentage of home care clients aged over 65 who received personal care by 5.5% in the same period.




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Local Outcome	Indicator	Performance in 2006/07 - Baseline	Performance in 2007/08	Nature of Change	By 2011 we will:	
People will have equitable access to local health, support and care	38	No and rate per 1,000 population of carer assessments carried out	266 2.3 per 1,000	1236 10.6 per 1000		Increase
	39	Staff qualification – % of care staff who are qualified – Working in care homes for older people (65+)	63.5%	72.2%		Increase
		Working in care homes for other adults (18-64)	90%	80.0%		
	40	% of older people aged 65+ with intensive care needs receiving services at home	33%	33.3%		Increase
	41	Home Care – total hours as a rate per 1,000 population receiving personal care	579.4	593.6		Increase
	42	Home Care - % home care clients aged 65+ receiving personal care	67.2%	71%		Increase
	43	Home Care - % home care clients aged 65+ receiving care in evenings/overnight	28.6%	26.6%		Increase
44	Home Care - % home care clients aged 65+ receiving care at weekends	69%	59.9%		Increase	

Our citizens and communities will be encouraged to take responsibility for their own health and well being

- (i) Further support has been given to develop youth initiatives such as football and rugby. This has meant there has been an increase in the number of young people participating in physical activity over the last year.
- (ii) The Council was the first to introduce 'cool to the touch' containers as part of the meals on wheels service. These containers are 98% biodegradable and ensure that the 42,000 meals delivered every year to the 328 users stay warm when delivered, while being cool when removed from ovens.
- (iii) The Council delivered a 10 week 'Virtual Baby' programme to 40 young people as well as taster sessions to 300 pupils in schools and community based settings. This comprehensive programme gave young people an insight into the knowledge and skills required to make informed decisions about parenting.
- (iv) 'Community Concerns Us' campaign was launched in spring this year. This campaign highlighted how people could report on anti-social behaviour within their communities.

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Local Outcome	Indicator	Performance in 2006/07 - Baseline	Performance in 2007/08	Nature of Change	By 2011 we will:	
Our citizens and communities will be encouraged to take responsibility for their own health & well being	45	The number and rate per 1,000 clients obtaining self directed support	43 0.4 per 1,000	43 0.4 per 1,000		Improve
	46	School meals taken as a % of school roll				Maintain
		Primary	60%	59%		
Secondary	50%	50%				
47	The % of schools with breakfast clubs	35%	35%		Maintain	









Our citizens will be protected.

- (i) In summer this year the Council started a £5.2m programme of flood prevention, including approximately £4 m programme for Bo'ness.
- (ii) The Council established a project to develop closer relationships between parents and schools. This complements a project launched in schools 'Restorative Approaches' piloted in the Braes and Larbert High Schools which recognises the school as a community and that individuals within the school have a responsibility to each other.
- (iii) Further investment in Camelon Children's Centre worth £1.3m was approved. This will ensure the centre can cater for the youngest and most vulnerable children in our communities.
- (iv) A highly popular taxi marshalling service that was introduced over the Christmas and New Year periods was continued following a successful evaluation.
- (v) Citizens' confidence in their personal safety in their communities has increased. In 2007/08 90% of citizens were confident of their personal safety during the day and 51% during the night. This compares with 84% and 47% respectively in 2006/07.
- (vi) We are seeing the benefits of our investment in tackling anti-social behaviour in recent years. The number of domestic noise complaints fell from 157 in 2006/07 to 19 in 2007/08. The reported levels of anti-social behaviour also fell in the same period from 3474 to 3320.

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Local Outcome	Indicator	Performance in 2006/07 - Baseline	Performance in 2007/08	Nature of Change	By 2011 we will:	
Our citizens will be protected	48	Confidence in individual safety in local areas During the day At night	2006 84% 47%	2008 90% 51%		Improve
	49	The proportion of social enquiry reports submitted to court by due date	99.9%	99.9%		Maintain
	50	Probation – the proportion of probationers seen by a supervising officer within one week	87.5%	93.2%		Increase
	51	Community Service – the average hours per week taken to complete Community Service Orders	3.3	3.2		Increase
	52	Food Hygiene – the % of premises with a minimum inspection frequency of 12 months or less, that were inspected on time	99.3%	100%		Maintain
	53	The number of casualties fatally or seriously injured on our roads	421 – rolling 5 year total	Awaiting data		Reduce
	54	% communicable disease investigations started within time	98.4%	98%		Maintain
	55	Inspection of trading premises – the % in high and medium risk inspections that were inspected on time	High – 100% Medium – 97.8% Both – 97.9%	High – 100% Medium – 96.7% Both – 96.8%		Maintain

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Our citizens will be protected	56	Consumer complaints completed within 14 days of receipt	71.5%	51.8%		Increase
	57	Cost of repairs on schools due to vandalism	£216k	£183k		Reduce
	58	The proportion of reports submitted by the Social Work Services to the Courts by the due date	99.9%	99.9%		Maintain
	59	Number and rate per 1,000 of adults at risk of harm investigations	13 1 per 1,000	123 5.2 per 1000		Not applicable
	60	Domestic noise complaints – the average time (hours) between the time of the complaints and attendance on site – dealt with as Part V of the Anti Social Behaviour (Scotland) Act 2004	157	19		Improve
	61	Reduce levels of reported anti-social behaviour	3474	3320		Reduce
	62	ASB - % acknowledgement of new instruction issued within 1 day	100%	100%		Maintain
	63	ASB - % lodged in Court within 4 days of final instruction/information	100%	100%		Maintain