4. Homes and Communities

Grangemouth

4.45 The population of Grangemouth has continued to decline over the last five years. Development constraints such as major hazards, flood risk, the M9 motorway and the green belt have combined to limit opportunities for growth. New housing in LDP1 was limited to two sites, one of which has been developed out, the other of which is being developed instead for educational purposes. There were no expressions of interest for residential development in Grangemouth, and the Urban Capacity Study has identified only one small redevelopment opportunity at Abbots Road.

4.46 Preferred Option

The preferred option is consolidation, with development limited to infill and redevelopment opportunities which may arise within the urban area.

Existing Housing Supply 2020-2030	Additional Housing 2020-2030	Growth Potential 2030-2040
11	10	Low

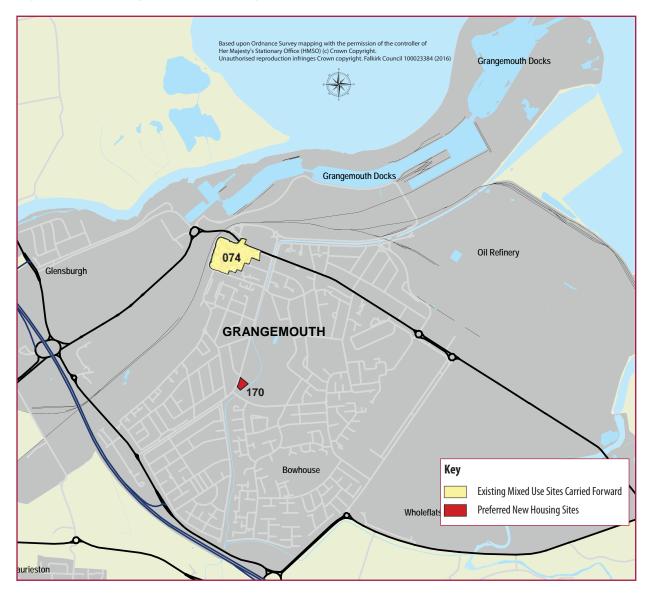
Alternative

There are no reasonable alternatives.

How does this differ from LDP1?

The preferred option involves no significant change from LDP1.

Figure 4.12 Grangemouth Housing



4. Homes and Communities

Larbert and Stenhousemuir

- **4.47** Larbert and Stenhousemuir has been one of the fastest growing settlements over the last five years. The Larbert North Strategic Growth Area (Kinnaird Village) has continued to be built out and has developed into a thriving community with its own school and village centre. The currently approved development is expected to be completed in 2024/2025. Kinnaird Primary School will need to be extended permanently to three streams. As part of the Kinnaird masterplan, land was allocated for a business park at the eastern end. With demand for employment land generally at a low level, a mixed use approach to this area may be appropriate, with business and community uses together with a limited number of additional houses to bring the total content of Kinnaird up to the 1,700 houses originally envisaged.
- 4.48 Capacity issues at Larbert High School will be resolved through the proposed extension to the school, which will turn it into one of the largest high schools in Scotland. This will cope with the existing planned growth, but with no additional capacity to accommodate any significant further housing. Therefore, although a range of expressions of interest have been submitted for greenfield sites to the west, north and east of the settlement, the preferred approach is not to promote any further growth.

4.49 Preferred Option

Focus on delivering the existing North Larbert Strategic Growth Area (site 26), including some additional housing within on the Hill of Kinnaird business park site (site 94).

Existing Housing Supply	Additional Housing	Growth Pote
2020-2030	2020-2030	2030-204
230	70	Low

Alternatives

- 1. Residential use within the Glenbervie business site (site 92).
- 2. New Larbert West Strategic Growth Area, involving sites within the former RSNH estate (sites 132, 133).
- 3. New East Stenhousemuir Strategic Growth Area, involving green belt release at Bensfield (site 131), or Roughlands (site 130).
- 4. New Kinnaird Strategic Growth Area, involving large scale green belt release to the east of Kinnaird Village (site 134).
- 5. New Carronshore Strategic Growth Area, involving large scale green belt release at Bensfield/Kirkton Farm up to the M9 (sites 129, 127).

How does this differ from LDP1?

The preferred option involves introducing additional housing through the inclusion of a residential element within the Hill of Kinnaird business park. The alternatives would involve further greenfield expansion and green belt release of varying scales.



Figure 4.13 Larbert and Stenhousemuir Housing

