

Lambhill Milton and Cadder Thriving Places

Progress Report

October 2017 - September 2019

1. Background

- 1.1 Since October 2017 the Lambhill, Cadder and Milton Thriving Places Group (LMCTP) has effectively engaged with a range of local residents and community groups to raise awareness and encourage engagement across the local area. Throughout the past year opportunities were created for local people to have their voices heard and help influence decision making with regard to their community. The LMCTP Steering Group is aware of local aspirations and is continuing to support the Community Connector (CC) to work with local people towards achieving their goals.
- 1.2 Networking meetings across the areas have proven to be a great way for local organisation and people to connect with one another. The Connecting Milton Group has on average 40 people attending each meeting, Cadder Stakeholder Group has around 15 – 20 and the newly formed Lambhill/ Cadder Networking group has approximately 20 people. The Community Connector has continued to engage with various groups throughout the Thriving Place (TP) area from which various pieces of work have emerged. Partnership work and networking has been encouraged and supported.
- 1.3 The purpose of engagement was to:
 - Support and engage key assets within the local neighbourhoods and communities, namely local people;
 - utilise existing assets and resource more effectively and raising awareness.
 - develop effective partnership working with local groups, organisations and services, in particular for complex and multi-layered local issues;

2. Key achievements

- 2.1 LMCTP has achieved a number of successes for residents within the local communities through the development of community events and thematic working groups. These include:
 - Food Poverty Research
 - School Holiday Programmes to tackle holiday hunger - joint funding application between partners for Summer, October week and Spring

- Neighbourhood Green Space Group
- Events Planning Group
- Milton Summer Gala Day and parade
- Autumn and Spring in the Square
- Community Budgeting
- Milton Winter Festival
- Lambhill and Cadder Networking Group
- Making Better Places Development Session
- Youth work between Lambhill and Milton

Events

- Throughout the year events have become more popular within the community. Greater numbers have engaged in community participation. Each event had 250+ local people in attendance.
- The community of Milton for the first time had a Winter Festival and Christmas Tree Light Switch on which saw 350+ people attend. The events planning group are working together with the support from Thriving Places to provide more community activity.
- Another huge success has been the events which have taken place within Liddesdale Square. The event planning group decided to run seasonal events. During 2018/19 there was Autumn in the Square and Spring in the Square; both events created opportunities for free outdoor play for families. A positive outcome from the events is the Events Planning Group is currently working towards a plan for local people to create Liddesdale Square into a social area.

Supporting Local Community Groups

- Since the Greenspace Group formed they have researched and met community led groups from over areas who too have a passion for turning derelict land into areas where families and local people can have fun, learn and develop. The Greenspace Group is supporting these local groups which include “Make Milton Muddy” and the “ARC Steering Group” on their journey to achieving outdoor play areas for the communities. The groups 5 key focus areas include:
 - Canal Pathway
 - Cadder Woods
 - Liddesdale Square
 - The wee field (Just off Liddesdale Square)

- Land at the ARC (Ashgill Recreation Centre)

3. Area Directory

During Spring 2019 Lambhill, Milton and Cadder Thriving Places began the process of putting together an area directory. In time the newly formed Canal Ward Communications Group got involved in the production. This has resulted in Lambhill, Milton and Cadder/ Possilpark and Ruchill Thriving Places both having area directories and activity pull out pages. The directories were launched in July 2019.

- 3.1 The aforementioned key achievements arose from the conversations and meetings held throughout the LMCTP area, proving to the local communities that their concerns and local issues had been listened to and acted upon. The key success of each group and activity was that local people were involved in the planning and delivery of activities which took place throughout the year.
- 3.2 Throughout 2018/19 there was a marked increase in the number of local people who participated in events and attended meetings with the average number at events being 250+ families. The Milton Winter Festival and Lantern Parade was the most successful event with over 400 people participating.
- 3.3 The sub groups will develop their own action plans going forward which will help form part of the LMCTP Locality Plan. The groups will be supported by Thriving Places to progress throughout 2019/20. Partnership working across the three communities has improved this year and Thriving Places will continue to encourage further partnership working. Sub groups include:
 - Events planning group
 - Food insecurity Group
 - Canal Ward Communication group
 - Supporting Communities
 - Lambhill, Milton and Cadder Neighbourhood Greenspace group

Locality Plan Achievement

By 2018	Success to date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • publish this plan and tell as many people as they reasonably can about it • use the most appropriate methods to engage widely with local people from diverse backgrounds • use the right methods to engage with and support specific local people affected by local challenges • empower local people to decide which local projects get funded through Community Budgeting where project ideas are voted on by local people • support local people to get involved in decisions about the services in the area, to find out about opportunities to be involved in delivering their own services and to engage with local elected representatives and planning officers to make sure their views are heard • support local people to become more involved in community life in Lambhill and Milton through a variety of means so that residents are represented and working alongside services in delivering the Locality Plan • involve local people in reviewing this plan to make sure we do more of what is working well and change what isn't working well 	<p>Thriving Places used a range of methods to <u>engage with local people to promote Thriving Places and the Locality Plan</u>. These were done by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Events • Outreach Work • Workshops • Holiday programmes • Supporting Communities in Milton, Lambhill and Cadder <p>During Year 1 from the above engagement work more local people have become involved with their community. They became active members within the nearly formed <u>Thriving Places sub group</u>, these groups being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events Planning Group • Neighbourhood Greenspace Group • Food Poverty Group <p>These groups creating a platform in which local people can become more involved with decision making and help to influence positive change within their community. There has been an additional sub group set up "Canal Ward Communications Group" and Thriving Places is currently encouraging local residents and partners to become involved with the group.</p> <p><u>Community Budgeting event</u> took place in January 2019. The process received 14 applications from 10 projects resident across the 3 areas. 10 projects received funding. 8 projects were small scale community groups or projects; some un-constituted. The other 2 projects supported were led by local organisations. The remaining 4 projects were supported to apply for GCC Area Partnership funding as they were better match to that funds criteria. One of the notable outcomes was that the level of match</p>

	<p>funding that some projects were able to attract due to the initial award from Community Budgeting.</p> <p>40+ local people from the 3 areas participated in voting at Community Budgeting event. Another outcome was captured through local people stating that “the event was a great way for them to find out about the different projects which were taking place and was an excellent way of meeting new people”.</p> <p>As a result from the success of the Community Budgeting event there is a clear appetite for more Community Budgeting events.</p> <p><u>Connecting Milton Networking Meeting</u> as a way of strengthening and increasing partnership working within the areas. Connecting Milton has seen numbers increase over the past year, now with 40+ people attending each meeting every 6 weeks. Attendees are a mixture of local people and partner organisations.</p>
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4. Areas of Interest

4.1 In 2018/19 there was no recognisable change to the local issues previously identified the previous financial year by local people and groups/organisations. The issues are herein identified by neighbourhood.

4.2 Lambhill

- Poverty – Local people struggle financially with regard to transport costs, social activities and provision of affordable food provisions
- Transport links – issues reported include
 - (a) Bus timetable for evening bus services was very poor in comparison to that of the daytime service
 - (b) Train service – whilst there is a train station nearby, Lambhill has an older resident population, many of whom have mobility and health issues thereby access to the train service is out with their capabilities

- Amenities/ services – There are very few amenities within Lambhill. Local residents struggle daily to access affordable goods offered elsewhere by the supermarkets. Local shops are located within the area which provide staple goods but at an increased cost.
- What's On? – Lack of knowledge of activities and services within the area.

4.3 Milton

- Poverty – Local issues include household finance (income, housing costs and fuel costs), food poverty and not being able to afford family day trips out with the immediate area
- Transport Links – Poor transport links within the area. A single bus route operates between Milton and Glasgow City Centre only thereby travel to other neighbourhoods or ward areas to access amenities, shops or visit family/friends is time consuming and can only be achieved by accessing several service routes for the proposed journey. Residents advised that their only other choice is to walk for several miles or access expensive private hire cars/taxis which they can ill afford.
- Unemployment/ volunteering/ training opportunities - lack of access for local people to address further education or employability needs.
- Amenities/ services – very few amenities within the community such as a supermarket, high school, focal point or swimming pool
- Mental health – some local residents are living with mental health conditions who are also 'hard to reach' and isolated
- Vacant and Derelict land - The community wants to see better use made of the large areas of vacant derelict land within the neighbourhood, namely the development of a community park.
- What's On? – Lack of knowledge of what social activities are taking place within the community and what local organisations/services provide.
- Community Safety – no traffic lights or crossings throughout the area therefore does the area meet the accepted requirements of road safety for both cars and pedestrians? Lack of street lighting in a number of side streets and on the canal pathway where local residents and visitors feel unsafe
- Substance and Alcohol misuse – high levels of anti-social behaviour within the community is linked to substance and alcohol misuse.
- Food Poverty/ Crisis Work

4.4 Cadder

- Community Centre – New community centre but is the asset being used to its full potential? Affordability?
- Social Activities - Local residents would like to see more community activities for youths, adults and families.
- Community Safety - A lack of car parking, issues over road safety and a number of residents feel there could be better use of the canal pathway.
- What's On? - More community awareness on what is taking place.

5. Community Assets

5.1 Local people and organisations across Lambhill, Milton and Cadder are positive about their communities: particularly when discussing key community assets. The table below captures the local assets identified in particular local communities. These are snap shots gathered in short conversations.

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Community Asset	Lambhill	Milton	Cadder
Local people/ community groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volunteers and community activists	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lambhill Stables	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Canal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community council	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools and nurseries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Local organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Community Garden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

6. Challenges

- 6.1 Voluntary and statutory organisations are working in the TP neighbourhood areas with regard to health and wellbeing, education, community safety, crime prevention, and environmental changes. However more organisations are competing for the same pots of money whilst also under pressure to deliver more than actually budgeted for within their funding streams. Barriers still exist for local people to access service provisions locally, thereby creating divides between communities and neighbourhoods.
- 6.2 The following challenges highlighted by local residents include:
- Geography and boundaries (real or perceived) creating divisions within communities
 - It is perceived by the communities of Lambhill and Cadder that more focussed work being delivered in Milton

7. Opportunities/ Seed Corn Monies/ Additional Funding

- 6.1 Further stronger partnership work is required to address such barriers and address perceived inequalities within the TP area.
- 6.2 Whilst it is recognised that the same infrastructures do not exist within the three neighbourhoods of Lambhill, Milton and Cadder more opportunities are being created by local people and groups/organisations. New groups are emerging, local networking is growing and key partners are being encouraged to deliver activities and events thereby creating a platform for local people and organisations to become more involved with Thriving Places.

8. Seed Corn monies

- 8.1 Throughout 2018/19 LMCTP received an additional £7,500.00 to help support local groups and organisations to provide new opportunities for local people and to bring the communities together.
- 8.2 Lambhill Milton Thriving Places Steering Group received numerous seed corn applications throughout the year however the group decided that some of the applications would be better suited to applying to area partnership. By referring partners onto Canal Area Partnership it created better opportunity for local organisations to receive more funding which benefitted the communities.
- 8.3 The Seed Corn Fund for 2018/129 was fully allocated to groups and organisations for the benefit of local people. Below is a table of projects who received funding.

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount Awarded</u>
Lambhill Stables	Canal Pathway Project	£248.00
Castlebay Tenants Association	Cooker	£460.00
North Glasgow Healthy Living Community	Cinema Night	£392.00
Social Media Training	Training	£1,390.00
<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount Awarded</u>
Lambhill Stables	Lambhill Networking Group	£230.00
Cadder Community Centre	Job Club	£500.00
North Glasgow Healthy Living Community	Cinema Night	£263.43

Cadder Community Centre	Room Hire for training	£272.02
Cadder Café on the hill	Catering for training course	£175.00
City of Play	Activity for Spring in the Square	£1,000.00
Scaraway Nursery	Outdoor waterproofs	£1,015.00
ARC Steering Group	Toddler group, toys and storage	£500.00
Lambhill Stables	Heritage Group	£435.00
Scottish Parliament Trip	Scottish Parliament Trip	£56.55
Lambhill Stables	Spring Holiday Programme	£563.00
	Total	£7,500
	Balance	£0.00

9. Additional Funding

Due to the successful Autumn and Spring in the Square events The City of Play contacted Thriving Places to ask if there was an opportunity for them to link in the with summer holiday programme. Through partnership working with the events planning group The City of Play were successful in securing £10,000.00 of funding which allowed them to provide 1 week of Den building and outdoor play for the community and provide free lunch for everyone who attended.

10. Proposed work plan going forward

10.1 During 2018/19 the Lambhill, Cadder and Milton Thriving Places Group worked alongside local people, groups/organisations and statutory services to make the communities feel more connected and empowered. These were achieved by empowering, upskilling and enabling local peoples to voice their

concerns, make decisions, set short term objectives and develop local activities. These were achieved through the development of five sub groups, each with a clear remit to work with local residents, etc. on specific areas of work,

- Communications Group – information sharing on what is taking place across the three communities
- Neighbourhood Greenspace Group – continue to support the group to transform derelict land into useable green spaces
- Events Planning Group – continue to support the group to delivery free events throughout the year, with the aim of developing an annual programme
- Supporting Communities – placed based work in partnership with SCDC
- Food Insecurity – Community Fridges and local resource tool for referrals

10.2 The aforementioned sub groups should continue to be supported in order to address community aspirations, steer the work of LMCTP and influence the locality plan with regarding to short, medium and long term plans. Through time it is hoped this will

- create a community led LMCTP Steering Group to provide amongst other things support and guidance to the sub groups and area activity
- empower more local people to drive forward area plans;
- identify additional funding opportunities; and
- enable the community to set a medium and long term plan to compliment the locality plan.

Proposed work plan between September 2019 – September 2020 for sub groups as suggested by local people and partners at the Lambhill, Cadder and Milton Thriving Places ‘Developing Our Plan’ session are stated below:

Events planning group

- Create yearly plan of events and look at funding opportunities - update communication group with yearly activities in December for January print of directory
- Work alongside supporting stronger communities group to arrange networking opportunities for local people and partners
- Work alongside the neighbourhood greenspace group and create a short and medium term plan for Liddesdale Square.

Communication group

- Carry on with their communication strategy plan and update progress at Connecting Milton and Lambhill and Cadder networking meetings

- Communicate more with local residents and partners to increase participation from Lambhill, Milton and Cadder
- Work alongside the other sub groups as a way of promoting the directory and the communication group
- Create a platform which showcases the good work which is taking place within the 3 communities
- Update community directory and print in January 2020 and again in June 2020

Food Insecurity group

- Create a community resource tool for signposting individuals who are in need of support – (short term plan)
- Potential to use St. Andrew Methodist Church as a community hub local people to access cheaper produce and clothing (swap shop) and helps to connect the community with services/ provisions/ information – (medium term plan)
- Continue to work on plan to achieve community fridges (long term plan)

Neighbourhood Greenspace group

- Continue to use working group as a networking platform - support each other's aspirations and work together where appropriate
- 5 focus areas still remain as – The ARC field, Liddesdale Square, Cadder Woods, Canal Pathway and 'Wee field' (behind Liddesdale square)
- Work alongside the event planning group and create a short and medium term plan for Liddesdale Square.
- 2 priorities to focus on over the next year as agreed by the group are ARC field and Canal pathway

Supporting stronger communities

- Training opportunities for both local people and partners – community empowerment act and placed based approach
- Support the development of youth steering group and family and young person group –(both groups to be formed)
- Work with local people and partners to bring the 3 communities together and support the other working groups
- Work in partnership with event planning group to arrange networking opportunities for local people and partners
- Help to support with funding opportunities – researching and sharing opportunities with other working groups

10.3 The below table provides an overview of a proposed work plan for 2019/20 which will grow and develop throughout the year.

Key pieces of work	Outcome	Delivered By
Engagement Work	<p>CC will <u>conduct a questionnaire</u> and circulate it around local people in Cadder. The questionnaire will give the Steering Group a better insight into what the Community would like to see more of.</p> <p>Following on from the success of the Community Budgeting event the CC will arrange <u>networking events</u> to allow local groups and organisation to connect with one another. It will also create an opportunity for local people to find out what is going on within their community.</p> <p>CC will continue to <u>scope</u> new groups within the area and encourage as many people as possible to be part of Thriving Places.</p>	<p>By summer 2019</p> <p>Ongoing throughout 2019/20</p> <p>Ongoing throughout 2019/20</p>
Events/ meetings	<p>CC will attend meeting such as Community Councils, Connecting Milton, Cadder Stakeholder Group, <u>Canal Area Partnership meetings</u>, <u>Community meetings</u>.</p> <p>CC will <u>continue to support Lambhill Stables</u> in the development of the new Lambhill and Cadder Networking Group.</p> <p>CC will attend <u>community events</u> throughout the year as a way of engaging with the wider community.</p>	<p>Ongoing throughout 2019/20</p> <p>Ongoing throughout 2019/20</p> <p>Ongoing throughout 2019/20</p>
Working Groups	<p>CC will work with local people and organisations to form <u>working groups</u>. These working groups should focus on communication, economy, events and greenspace. The groups will help to steer forward Thriving Places and help to deliver on the locality plan.</p> <p>Each working group will be formed by summer 2019 and working toward short term aspirations by winter 2019.</p>	<p>By summer 2019</p> <p>By summer and autumn 2019</p> <p>By winter 2019</p>

	Each working group will host a <u>workshop</u> to demonstrate some of their plans to local residents.	
Development Session	In partnership with SCDC Thriving Places will host a development session to bring together local people and partner organisations in order to create a <u>strategic plan to implement a place based approach which will influence the Locality Plan</u>	Held on June 13th 2019
Area Planning Development Session	A planning session to review the work of Thriving Places and for partner organisations and local people to <u>decide on their priorities for going forward during 2019/ 20</u>	29 th August 2019
Monitoring and Evaluation/ Reporting	CC will get <u>LEAP online</u> up and running for year 2019/20. She will keep report up to date and update the Steering Group of work progress at each meeting. CC will also provide a <u>progress report</u> . This will be used as a way of measuring the impact of this work plan.	Ongoing
Admin Work	CC will work from base to allow time to do admin work for example emails, finance, reports and attend team meetings. This time will also be used for support and supervision from Anchor Organisation North Glasgow Healthy Living Community.	Ongoing
Community Budgeting Celebration Event	Thriving Places will host a celebration event and bring together success applicants to promote the work which was carried out. Another Community Budgeting even will take place in September 2019.	Held on July 2019 September 2019

II. Conclusion

II.1 LMCTP has achieved numerous successes in 2018/19. Going forward in 2019/20 and 2020/21 the aim will be to

- create a more strategic plan for implementation through the Locality Plan
- promote and support change across and between the 3 communities
- Increase opportunities to ensure more local people are at the centre of decision making processes and play a meaningful part in the development of their own communities
- address local issues that affect the very heart of the communities and the people residing therein.

Thriving Places in Action







