

Supporting statement to accompany submission of **Beattock Local Place Plan** for registration

Submitted to Dumfries and Galloway Council, June 2026

0. INTRODUCTION

This statement accompanies Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council's submission of Beattock Local Place Plan for registration.

The Local Place Plan can be downloaded from bit.ly/beattockLPP2026

The Plan and this statement have been prepared in accordance with:

- [Town and Country Planning \(Local Place Plans\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021](#)
- [Scottish Government Planning Circular 1/2022: Local Place Plans](#)

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The Plan contains the community's aspirations (in sections 5 and 6), a series of investment projects to deliver those aspirations (in section 7), priorities for action (in section 9) and suggestions for planning policy (also in section 9).

The Plan has been generated through community engagement during 2025 and 2026. The story of how the plan was developed is described in the Plan itself.

This submission statement contains the following sections:

1. Contact details for the Community Council.
2. Evidence of meeting the requirements for consulting on the Local Place Plan.
3. Statement explaining of regard given to the National Planning Framework and Local Development Plan in preparing the Local Place Plan.
4. Explanation of the Community Council's view of the level and nature of support for the Local Place Plan.
5. Statement explaining how Local Development Plans should be amended.

1. CONTACT DETAILS

Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council:

- Email: secretary@kjcc.info
- Website: www.kjcc.info

2. STATUTORY INFORMATION NOTICES

The draft Local Place Plan was emailed on 13th April 2026 to:

1. Councillors for Renfrewshire Ward 3 (Paisley Northeast and Ralston):
 - Cllr Lynne Davis
 - Cllr Gail MacGregor
 - Cllr Stephen Thompson
 - Cllr Carolynne Wilson
2. Adjoining active Community Councils:
 - Closeburn Community Council
 - Crawford and Elvanfoot Community Council
 - Kirkmichael Community Council
 - Moffat and District Community Council
 - Wamphray Community Council

Those emails constitute the Information Notices required to comply with Section 4 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Place Plans) (Scotland) Regulations 2021.

Copies are attached to this statement as Appendices.

3. REGARD GIVEN TO EXISTING PLANS

In preparing the Local Place Plan, the community had regard to the statutory Development Plan ([National Planning Framework 4](#) and the [adopted Dumfries and Galloway Local Development Plan 2](#)) and to other plans outlined on page 9 of the Plan.

The Plan gathers the community's priorities into a positive and realistic way forward which, as well as achieving the community's own aspirations, delivers national agendas locally. We trust that national / local government and public agencies will support delivery of this Plan, because it will help them to deliver their policy agendas.

4. SUPPORT FOR THE LOCAL PLACE PLAN

For more information on the community engagement process used to develop the Local Place Plan, along with the levels of participation, please refer to the Plan itself. The appendices contain more detailed information and outputs from the consultation process.

Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council believes that the Local Place Plan provides an accurate and evidence-based view of local residents' views. The Community Council's view of the level and nature of support for the Local Place Plan, based on the community engagement detailed in the Plan, is that it is satisfactory for the Plan to be registered.

5. AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Local Place Plan contains a number of suggestions for the Council to consider as it prepares the next Dumfries and Galloway Local Development Plan. These are on page 36 of the Plan, together with reasons as required by paragraphs 32-33 of [Scottish Government Circular 1-2022: Local Place Plans](#).

We trust that the Council will find our suggestions helpful, along with those from other communities, as it develops the Local Development Plan. We would be happy to discuss our suggestions in more detail, and look forward to hearing how the Council will take account of them.

We would be grateful if other Council departments and partner could be made aware of the Plan and encouraged to work with the Council and the community to deliver the Plan (see section 7 in particular).

APPENDICES (overleaf)

Copies of the Information Notices to local Councillors and adjoining Community Councils.

Information Notice to Ward 11 Councillors: Proposed Beattock Local Place Plan

From: franca bruno <francambruno@hotmail.com>

Sent: 13 April 2026 15:11

To: Thompson, Stephen <stephen.thompson@dumgal.gov.uk>; Lynne Davis2

<lynne.davis2@dumgal.gov.uk>; jim.dempster@dumgal.gov.uk <jim.dempster@dumgal.gov.uk>; Wilson, Carolyne <carolyne.wilson@dumgal.gov.uk>; Macgregor, Gail <gail.macgregor@dumgal.gov.uk>

Subject: Information Notice: Proposed Beattock Local Place Plan

Dear Cllr Davis, Cllr MacGregor, Cllr Thompson and Cllr Wilson,

I am writing to you on behalf of Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council in your capacity as Ward 11 Councillors.

The Community Council has been working with the local community to prepare a Local Place Plan for the Community Council area, in accordance with the [Town and Country Planning \(Local Place Plans\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021](#).

The Community Council, as the body which will ultimately submit the Plan to Dumfries and Galloway Council for registration, is legally required to send all elected members for the Plan area this statutory **Information Notice** about the proposed Local Place Plan, by virtue of Section 4 of the above Local Place Plan Regulations.

This email constitutes the statutory Information Notice. If you wish to respond, please note that the Regulations give 28 days to respond from the date of this email.

Quite apart from the statutory requirement to notify you, we do of course very much look forward to hearing your thoughts about the draft Plan.

1. Proposed Local Place Plan

The proposed Plan is available online at the Community Council website: www.kjcc.info/lpp

2. Brief description of the content and purpose of the proposed Local Place Plan

The proposed Plan covers Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council area, as shown in Map 1 on page 5 of the proposed Plan.

As explained in section 1 of the Plan, its purpose is to highlight what people in the Community Council area think about their place, what works and should be retained, and what is needed to improve their place and how it functions.

The Plan recognises that Beattock is a friendly peaceful place that provides a strong legible foundation for building a shared realistic vision that stimulates investment and implementation. It is a plan that

goes beyond essential needs and seeks to stimulate aspirational propositions where local people can play an important delivery role.

The Plan is more than an examination of the environmental fabric of our place. It is a 'People and Place Plan' that has assessed not just the physical entity but how the place functions through the activities and uses of its people.

The Plan takes a multi-generational approach to planning that recognises the importance of investing in our place for all of its residents as well as future generations. Our Local Place Plan proposals seek to bridge the age spectrum from the energy and enthusiasm of young children to the lived experience of older people. It is a plan that can be achieved by creating a resilient, supportive and co-operative environment that provides purpose, connection and development for all of its residents.

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Such action will require multi stakeholder participation that includes local people as well as public and private organisations. Such a collective approach needs champions and supporters who can, by working collaboratively, make Beattock a thriving successful place.

Section 2 of the Plan describes the planning policy context, plus other relevant policy. Sections 3 and 4 gives useful background context, including a summary of the 2016 Community Action Plan. Section 5 summarise our community's aspirations. Sections 6 and 7 contain the plan's proposals, including an investment plan comprising 12 projects. Section 8 is about delivery.

3. Information as to how and to whom any representations on the content of the proposed Local Place Plan should be made and the date by which they should be made

If you have comments on the proposed Local Place Plan, please email them to me or use the online feedback form at www.kjcc.info/lpp within 28 days of the date of this email, and certainly by 20th May 2026.

I am sending a similar Information Notice to Community Councils within and adjacent to the Plan area, as required by the Local Place Plan Regulations.

Kind regards,

Franca Bruno
Chair, Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council

To: Ward 11 Councillors

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From: franca bruno <francambruno@hotmail.com>

Sent: 13 April 2026 15:19

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Franca Bruno
Chair
Kirkpatrick Juxta Community Council

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- The Secretary, Crawford and Elvanfoot Community Council
- The Secretary, Kirkmichael Community Council
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