



SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL'S  
**LOCAL HOUSING  
STRATEGY 2023-2028**  
CONSULTATIVE DRAFT



# Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028 Consultation

Welcome to this consultation document which sets out the draft vision, outcomes and actions of the new Local Housing Strategy (LHS) for the Scottish Borders. The new LHS covers the period 2023-2028 and sets out our vision for housing and housing related services over the next five years.

We have developed a draft vision and outcomes for action with our partners. Before the strategy is finalised, we want to make sure that local people, communities and stakeholders have their say on whether these priorities will make a positive contribution to meeting housing need in the Borders.

## How to use this document

The draft LHS vision, outcomes and key actions will be subject to public consultation from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 until the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

The full version of the Consultative Draft LHS 2023 can be found here: [Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028](#)  
A number of documents have been developed to support the LHS. If you would like to read this documents you can find them using the link above.

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## What is a Local Housing Strategy?

All Scottish local authorities are required to prepare a Local Housing Strategy (LHS) every five years, setting out a vision for the supply, quality and availability of housing in their local area. The LHS is the key planning document which sets out the range of action the Council and its partners will take to make sure this vision becomes a reality. There is a strong relationship between the LHS and the Local Development Plan (LDP). Together with the LDP, the LHS sets out the number of new homes to be delivered (by setting a housing supply target). This enables the requirements for housing land supply to be identified.

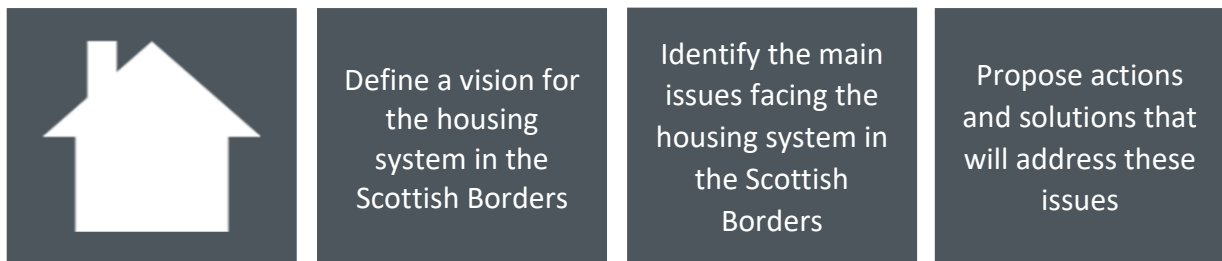
As the last LHS covered the period 2017-2022, the preparation of the new Local Housing Strategy 2023-28 is well underway. To build up the draft strategy, we have been working with a wide range of partners to assess local needs, agree outcomes and define ideas and solutions to deliver our shared vision for housing in the Scottish Borders.

Housing plays a vital role in meeting the needs of local people, communities and the economy. The Local Housing Strategy also sets out the framework of action, investment and partnership working to deliver local priorities.

The purpose of the LHS is to:

- Set out a shared understanding of the need and demand for all types of housing, and for services such as housing support, both now and in the future
- Set out actions and targets to improve the standard and condition of housing
- Provide a clear strategic direction for housing investment in both new and existing housing
- Focus on the outcomes required to achieve the vision

To build the new strategy, we have engaged widely with key partners and stakeholders to:



## What is the purpose of a Local Housing Strategy?

The Scottish Government's LHS guidance was prepared to help local authorities across Scotland to develop their strategies. The Guidance is clear about what an LHS needs to cover, what it should look like, and who should be involved in helping to shape it. The LHS needs to:



In terms of national priorities, the LHS is expected to show how its actions will support and make a contribution to the Scottish Government's vision for housing that "all people in Scotland live in high quality sustainable homes that they can afford and meet their needs".

It is important that the LHS feeds into Housing to 2040. This is Scotland's long-term national housing strategy which sets out the collective vision and route map for housing over the next twenty years. It has been informed and shaped by extensive consultation and is designed to reflect the diversity of people, homes and communities across urban, rural and island Scotland. The vision is by 2040, everyone will have a safe, high-quality home that is affordable and meets their needs in the place they want to be. It sets out four broad, interconnected themes:

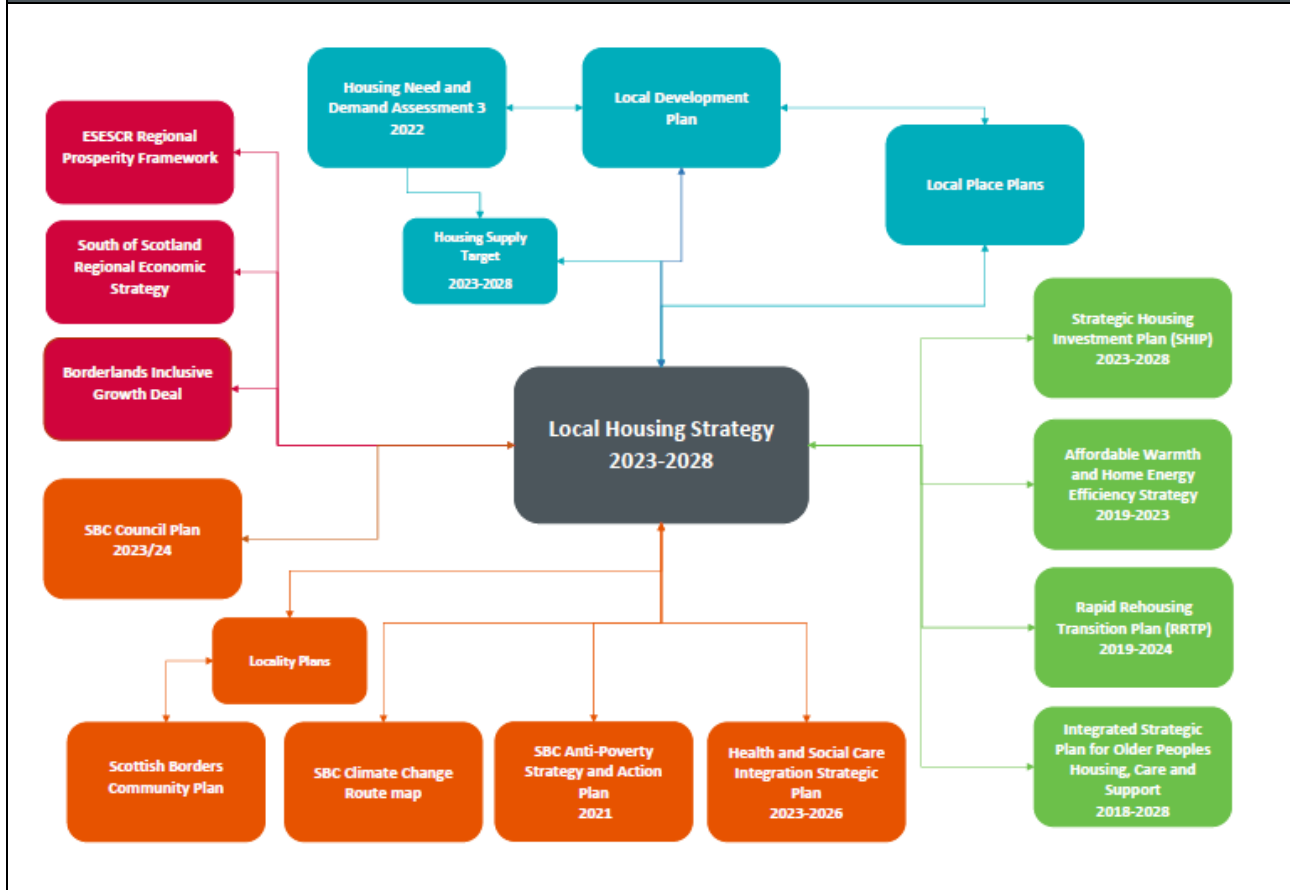
- More homes at the heart of great places;
- Affordability and choice;
- Affordable warmth and zero emissions homes; and
- Improving the quality of all homes.

The LHS must also show how it makes a contribution to the wider framework of local strategies and plans for the Scottish Borders.

Local authorities also have a number of legal duties which relate to or are affected by housing, and the LHS must be clear about how these will be met locally. This includes plans to help address homelessness, improve house condition and tackle fuel poverty.

The diagram below provides some context in how the LHS 2023-2028 links in with local strategies and plans:

## Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028 and related strategies and plans



The LHS is developed and delivered with key partners and stakeholders, including community planning partners, tenants and residents. Some of the internal and external partners include:

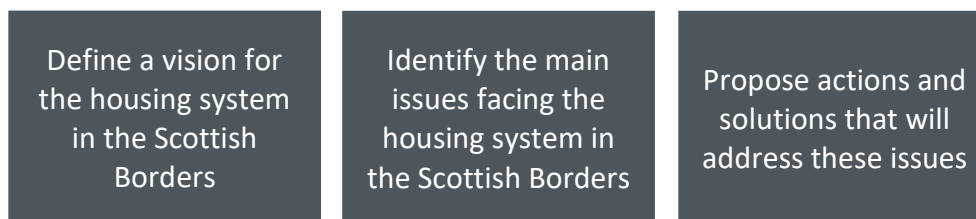
- Scottish Borders Council
- Registered Social Landlords (RSLs)
- Health and Social Care Strategic Partnership
- Scottish Government
- Private Housing Developers
- Construction Sector
- Infrastructure Providers
- South of Scotland Community Housing
- South of Scotland Enterprise
- Regional Economic Partnership

## Consultation and Engagement

The LHS Guidance (2019) clearly states that local authorities should:

- Undertake early engagement during the LHS development process and demonstrate how I will continue this through its development and annual review;
- Use a range of media to ensure as wide an audience as possible within local communities
- Ensure that the make-up of the local population is accurately reflected;
- Provide evidence on how engagement has taken place with harder to reach members of the community
- Show how the engagement has influenced the development of LHS vision, outcomes and actions.

We have a duty to consult widely on the LHS, and in that consultation, involve the wider community to ensure that equalities duties are met. To build the new Local Housing Strategy, we have engaged with key partners and stakeholders from an early stage to:



Consultation events and dialogue with stakeholders identifies that housing related challenges, and the effects, are being reported more and more frequently by businesses and communities. Key issues identified include: a lack of suitable homes in the right locations; a lack of homes that are affordable in terms of social rent, or in price or in running costs; old stock with poor energy efficiency and subsequent health and net zero issues; pressures on homelessness services; and a need for greater diversity of housing types and tenures. Additionally our key workers are finding it difficult to find homes to enable us to deliver vital services and it adds to the recruitment challenges for both public and private sectors. It is important that across the Borders that the mix of our housing offer is effective, in terms of tenure and location – the right home in the right place.

Since August 2021 we have been engaging with stakeholders and the community on this LHS. This included:

- Early Engagement Survey - The early engagement survey ran from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021. The main aim was to find out the main housing issues and priorities in the region from local households and organisations. In total there were 330 responses (301 from individuals and 29 from organisations).
- Resident and Stakeholder Workshops and Surveys – As part of the development of the LHS four housing issues papers were prepared to help engage residents and stakeholder on key housing issues, these were; Housing Supply and Place Making, Condition, Climate Change and Energy Efficiency, Particular Needs and Specialist Provision and Homelessness. We appointed Altair Consultancy and Advisory Services Ltd (Altair) to carry out resident and stakeholder engagement in relation to the development of this Local Housing Strategy (LHS). This included 3 resident workshops, 4 stakeholder workshops and a resident survey and a stakeholder survey.
- Gypsy Travellers – We commissioned Altair Consultancy and Advisory Services Ltd (Altair) to identify the housing needs and requirements of the Gypsy and Traveller (GT) community across the region.

The purpose of engagement and needs analysis was to provide an evidence base to inform SBCs approach to meeting current accommodation needs for the GT population and projected needs from 2023-2028.

- Key Workers – At the beginning of September 2022, SBC sent out a survey to a wide range of partners to find out about key workers in the Scottish Borders and if there are any accommodation issues when recruiting key workers in particular from other areas or overseas. In total there were 7 responses to the key worker questions. These responses were from; Various SBC departments, NHS Borders and RSLs.
- Private Landlord Survey – From October to November 2022, SBC engaged with private landlords in the Scottish Borders through an online survey. The aim of the survey was to gain a better understanding of private landlords operating in the Scottish Borders, this included information on their portfolios, how they source tenants, letting practice, supporting tenants, rents and repairs and improvements. In total there were 221 responses to the survey, this is a return of 6%.

We want to continue to engage and consult with you to make sure we get it right. We want to hear your views on the proposed vision, outcomes and actions for the 2023-2028 Local Housing Strategy. We encourage you to participate and provide your feedback and comments by completing the survey.

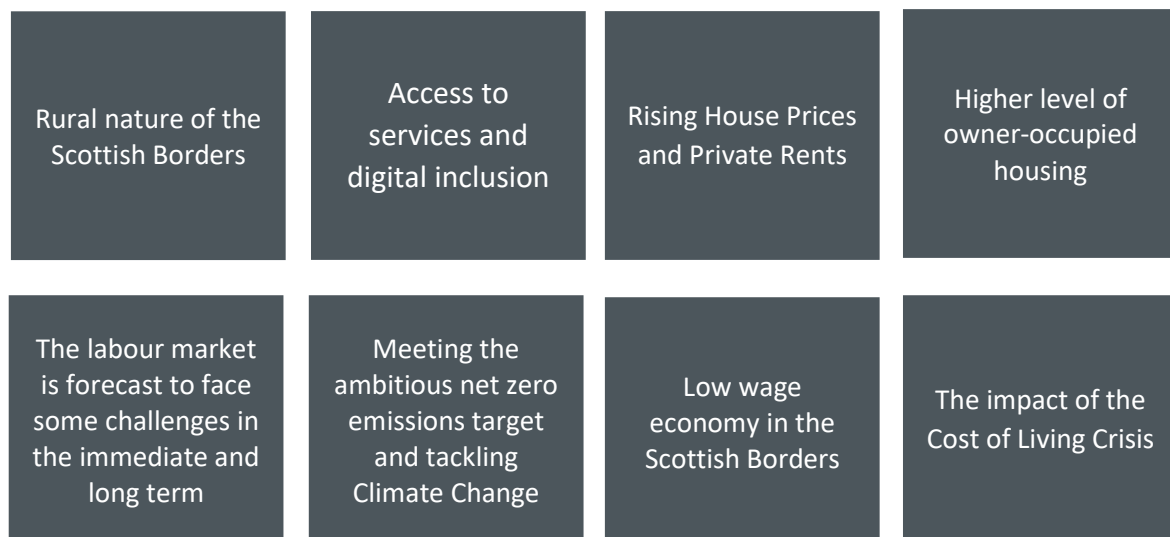
## What issues are affecting housing in the Scottish Borders?

The LHS must take into account the wider issues that may be affecting housing in the local area, including population and economic trends. The LHS must consider how the following important issues will affect meeting the housing vision for the Scottish Borders:

- The Scottish Borders population is expected to remain fairly static and looks set to increase by 0.7% from 2018 to 2043.
- It is estimated that the 75+ age group is to increase by 29.6% between 2018-28, while the 45-65 age bracket remains the largest projected age group
- Smaller households are expected to become more common, with the number of one adult and two adult households growing, while the number of larger households is predicted to decline. Single person households are projected to increase by 14%

The projected increase in older people in the Scottish Borders and an increase in single person households could lead to a greater demand for housing and for care & support services.

Other important issues that need to be considered are:





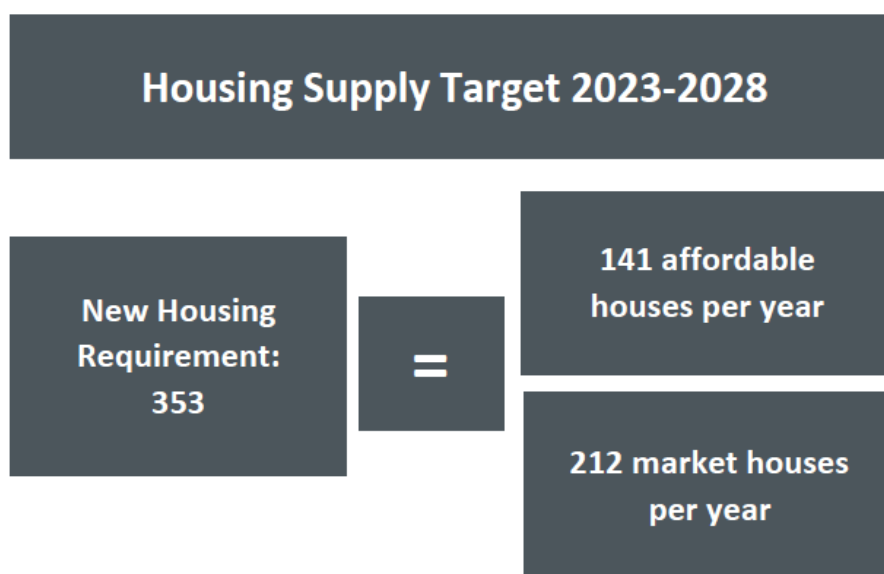
## Housing Need and the Housing Supply Target

The LHS needs to be built on a solid evidence base, and a key part of this is producing a detailed Housing Need and Demand Assessment (HNDA). This assessment estimates the number of new households who will require housing in the Scottish Borders. It is based on household projections and economic scenarios produced by the National Records of Scotland (NRS).

Using this analysis, we can calculate whether more housing will be needed in the Scottish Borders in the future to meet the needs of the population who want and need to live here. The Housing Need and Demand Assessment estimates the need for housing across all tenures. It does this by looking at the number of projected new households and the number of existing households who will need additional housing, and assesses their ability to meet local housing costs.

The HNDA is used to help with the setting of a 'Housing Supply target' for the area, i.e. the number of new houses that are required to be built in the Borders during the life of the LHS.

The new Housing Supply Target (HST) has been determined by Scottish Borders Council. The target must be reasonable, properly reflect the HNDA estimate of housing demand in the market sector, and be compelling evidence. The HST is, however, a policy view of the number of homes that each authority has agreed will be delivered in each housing market area of the period of the LHS.



In setting the affordable HSTs, Scottish Borders Council considered the following factors:

- Economic factors which may impact on supply and demand
- Capacity within the construction sector
- Delivery of market and affordable housing at a local level
- Availability of resources
- Recent development levels
- Planned demolitions
- Planned new and replacement housing or housing brought back into effective use

### Consultation Question 1:

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed housing supply target?

## What are our vision and outcomes?

The LHS vision has been developed jointly with stakeholders:

**“Everyone in the Scottish Borders has access to a home that meets their needs and is part of a sustainable community”**

### **Consultation Question 2 and 3:**

**Is the vision clear?**

**To What extent do you agree or disagree with this vision?**

In order to deliver the vision successfully and contribute to the Scottish Borders six outcomes in the Council plan, as well as the Scottish Government’s National Outcomes, National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes and Housing to 2040; the following 5 LHS outcomes have been defined:

**Strategic Outcome 1: More homes in well designed, sustainable communities that increase opportunity for all**

**Strategic Outcome 2: People have access to homes which promote independence, health and wellbeing**

**Strategic Outcome 3: Improved energy efficiency of homes and a reduction in fuel poverty while supporting a Just Transition to Net Zero through decarbonising domestic heating and energy**

**Strategic Outcome 4: Communities are regenerated through improving the quality and condition of housing and the built heritage.**

**Strategic Outcome 5: Homelessness is prevented wherever possible and a range of housing options are provided so people can secure a suitable and sustainable housing outcome as quickly as possible**

### **Consultation Question 4, 5 and 6:**

**How important or otherwise, would you say each of the LHS Outcomes are to you?**

**Do the LHS outcomes reflect the main housing problems that need to be tackled in the Scottish Borders?**

**Are there any other emerging outcomes that are missing?**

## Strategic Outcome 1:

### More homes in well designed, sustainable communities that increase opportunity for all

Housing has an important role in not only providing a secure home to live in but in anchoring communities and places and local people and professionals are becoming increasingly aware of the wider benefits of good, affordable housing solutions. There are clear benefits to people's health, wellbeing and wider social outcomes through having a permanent, well maintained and warm home throughout life.

Some key issues and challenges which drive the need for action in Strategic Outcome 1 are:

Supporting housing development in more rural areas and communities	Decreasing Private Rented Sector – A need to continue working with landlords and tenants to ensure this sector continues to thrive	Affordability – house prices and rents vary in different parts of the Borders, and a low wage economy means housing options are limited for many	Housing needs to be considered in the wider context, including transport and digital connectivity, childcare, and employment opportunities
Town centres declining – there is a need to make town centres a great place to live	Make better and more effective use of existing stock and sites – e.g. empty homes and vacant/ derelict land	A need for a wider range of diverse housing options in all tenures to better accommodate people's needs	Larger developers see the region as a challenging market with low demand, lower value and a longer time to sell properties

#### Key Actions for Delivery

- Increase the supply of affordable housing
- Deliver alternative tenure housing to meet a broad range of needs
- Increase construction capacity and skills to support delivery of more homes
- Implement revised planning policy and practice to ensure it is directive in shaping existing and new places
- Supporting the delivery of housing regeneration in communities (including town centres and rural settlements)
- Support the development and implementation of Place Plans
- Reduce the number of empty homes

#### Consultation Question 7 and 8:

**Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 1 the right ones?**

**Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 1?**

## Strategic Outcome 2:

### People have access to homes which promote independence, health and wellbeing

Having access to the right housing plays a crucial role in addressing some of the key health challenges in Scotland and the Scottish Borders. Housing can help contribute to the positive health outcomes of people who have mental or physical health needs.

The Scottish Borders has an ageing population which will have a big impact on housing services in the future. The main impacts are on changing demands for housing supply and the housing stock; in supporting people to live independently and on adaptations to housing stock. Wherever possible, independent living will be supported in a person's own home through appropriate care, support, adaptations or technology.

Some key issues and challenges which drive the need for action in Strategic Outcome 2 are:

Lack of local data on the needs of households in the Scottish Borders. In order to plan for the future we need to be able to identify the current situation	The Scottish Borders has an ageing population and reducing household sizes – meaning a greater need for the right type and size of stock in the right places	An increase in the number of households with a long-term sick or disabled person, meaning an increase in demand for specialist housing and adaptations	Clearly identifying housing's role in the locality planning within health and social care partnership
Lack of information in the private sector. Currently it is seen as the role of the Social Rented Sector to meet the needs of these households	Update of the Housing for Varying Needs and how this will impact future housing delivery in the social and private sector	The lasting legacy of Covid-19 and the impact this continues to have	Recent focus on housing for older people, need to ensure there is an adequate supply and access to specialist housing for young people

### Key Actions for Delivery

- Work in partnership to deliver more accessible homes across tenures
- Increase the supply of wheelchair housing
- Provide information, advice and assistance on housing options and adaptations to meet particular needs across tenures
- Review the Scheme of Assistance ensuring the new Guidance on the Provision of Equipment and Adaptations is reflected
- Strengthen joint working with partners in HSCP, NHS, RSLs and others to deliver appropriate housing solutions for individuals with complex needs
- Strengthen joint working to support key worker and employer led housing opportunities
- Identify land and funding opportunities to more effectively meet the needs of the Gypsy and Gypsy Traveller community

### Consultation Question 9 and 10:

Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 2 the right ones?

Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 2?

### Strategic Outcome 3:

## Improved energy efficiency of homes and a reduction in fuel poverty while supporting a Just Transition to Net Zero through decarbonising domestic heating and energy

Everyone should have access to a warm home that is affordable to heat. We are committed to creating a region that is fair for everyone and where we all have an equal and positive chance to succeed. Tackling fuel poverty will be a key step towards achieving this. This includes ensuring that energy efficiency is no longer a driver for fuel poverty and we work towards zero emissions homes.

Some key issues and challenges which drive the need for action in Strategic Outcome 3 are:

The Scottish Borders has a larger proportion of older stock which has poor energy efficiency, this impact on health and net zero implications	Constrained local supply chain – making it more challenging to address fuel poverty and support people in making their homes more efficient	Current skills gap in terms of being able to carry out energy efficiency works – which support the delivery of fuel poverty measures and climate targets	Supporting people as they seek to make their homes more energy efficient
Providing affordable warmth and healthy homes for everyone living in the Borders, regardless of tenure	The impact of the cost of living crisis and how to mitigate against these	Current energy efficiency technology and their suitability for homes in the region	More focus to support efforts to reduce carbon emission and address climate change

### Key Actions for Delivery

- Work with partners to improve energy efficiency across all tenures
- Develop the Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy for the Scottish Borders
- Support a public engagement strategy for heat in buildings
- Work with partners to develop the skills and supply chain required to deliver energy efficiency and zero emissions heating systems
- Explore wider measures to better manage energy and increase warmth in the home
- Adapt and retrofit existing homes to improve their energy efficiency

### Consultation Question 11 and 12:

**Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 3 the right ones?**

**Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 3?**

## Strategic Outcome 4:

**Communities are regenerated through improving the quality and condition of housing and the built heritage.**

The private sector is the biggest tenure in the Scottish Borders with a large percentage of the population either owning their own homes or renting privately. One of the key challenges in this sector is to ensure everyone is living in good quality homes. Good quality housing makes an important contribution to many aspects of a successful Scottish Borders including supporting local economies, improving individual's health and well-being and by making communities safer. Good quality housing and buildings not only impact us individually but also impacts on the community.

Some key issues and challenges which drive the need for action in Strategic Outcome 4 are:

The majority of homes in the Borders have some element of disrepair – with lower levels of housing quality compared to the Scottish Average	Understanding the quality of the housing stock in the Scottish Borders and what requirements there are for improvements across the region	Co-ordinating activities across departments within in SBC to ensure best and most efficient use of legislative interventions	Look towards developing mechanisms to support landlords and homeowners in addressing the poorer house conditions in the Scottish Borders
Emerging legislation on new housing standards and the impact this will have	The impact of the new Repairing Standards	Support measures to address climate change under strategic outcome 3	Linking in with a wider range of policies and strategies. This strategic outcome links in with Strategic Outcome 1 on empty homes, place making

## Key Actions for Delivery

- Provide holistic advice and assistance to owners/tenants to undertake house condition/ energy improvement/home safety works and co-ordinate or explore funding options.
- Provide supporting and assistance to owners and landlords to meet existing and future house condition standards in private housing.
- Review the Scheme of Assistance
- Developing a Below Tolerable Standard (BTS) Housing Strategy which supports a partnership approach
- Review the Missing Share Pilot
- Ensure activity in relation to repairs, maintenance, energy efficiency improvements and conversion are sensitive to the built heritage

## Consultation Question 13 and 14:

**Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 4 the right ones?**

**Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 4?**

### Strategic Outcome 5:

**Homelessness is prevented wherever possible and a range of housing options are provided so people can secure a suitable and sustainable housing outcome as quickly as possible**

Everyone should be able to have their right to an adequate home realised. This includes everyone having access to a settled home that meets their needs and homelessness is prevented.

Some key issues and challenges which drive the need for action in Strategic Outcome 5 are:

Supply and demand for a range of properties including one beds and housing for larger families – high demand in Eildon and low supply in Tweeddale	There was an increasing reliance on temporary accommodation throughout the pandemic which has continued beyond	Implementing Prevention Duties – public bodies will have a legal duty to identify anyone at risk of homelessness and take action or refer for help	Impact of Covid and the lasting implications which includes implementing the RRTP
Local connect suspension – potential for unintended negative impacts on risk management, multi-agency public protection arrangements, complexity of case management continuity of support etc.	The complex support needs, beyond housing support, of the homeless population and difficulties in accessing support	Demand on services due to support for Ukrainian Crisis and the Resettlement Programme	Accessibility and affordability of the private rented sector particularly for single people and/or people on low incomes

### Key Actions for Delivery

- Continue to Implement Rapid Rehousing
- Improve access to housing for homeless or potentially homeless households across all tenures
- People who experience homelessness reach a settled housing outcome as quickly as possible
- Ensure homeless households can access the right support at the right time
- All partners actively contribute to preventing homelessness

### Consultation Question 15 and 16:

**Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 5 the right ones?**

**Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 5?**

**Consultation Question 17:**

**Are there any specific key actions or actions which you feel will help to support the delivery of the LHS vision and strategic outcomes**

**Consultation Question 18:**

**What key action or actions do you think you or your group / organisation can take to contribute towards meeting Scottish Borders Local Housing Strategy vision and outcomes?**

**Consultation Question 19:**

**Do you have any additional comments about the Draft Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028 that you would like to share**

## **Have we got it right?**

We would encourage and welcome your feedback and comments on the proposed vision, outcomes and actions for the 2023-2028 Scottish Borders Local Housing Strategy.

To have your say please complete the following survey:

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If you need any further information please contact the Housing Strategy Team on: 01896 661392

Thank you for taking the time to participate.



# Consultation Questions on the Draft Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028

## Housing Supply Target 2023-28

1. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed housing supply target?

- Strongly agree
- Tend to agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Tend to disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know/No opinion

Please share any comments on the proposed housing supply target:

## The Vision

2. Is the vision clear?

- Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the vision?

- Strongly agree
- Tend to agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Tend to disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know/No opinion

Please share any comments on the vision:

**LHS Strategic Outcomes**

4. How important or otherwise, would you say each of the LHS Outcomes are to you?

	Very Important	Fairly Important	Not Very Important	Not Important at all	Don't know/ no opinion
Strategic Outcome 1: Deliver more homes in well designed, sustainable communities that increase opportunity for all					
Strategic Outcome 2: People have access to homes which promote independence, health and wellbeing					
Strategic Outcome 3: Improved energy efficiency of homes and a reduction in fuel poverty while supporting a Just Transition to Net Zero through decarbonising domestic heating and energy					
Strategic Outcome 4: Communities are regenerated through improving the quality and condition of housing and the built heritage.					
Strategic Outcome 5: Homelessness is prevented wherever possible and a range of housing options are provided so people can secure a suitable and sustainable housing outcome as quickly as possible					

5. Do the LHS outcomes reflect the main housing problems that need to be tackled in the Scottish Borders?

Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

Please share any comments:

6. Are there any other emerging outcomes that are missing? Please specify

**LHS Key Actions for Delivery**

7. Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 1 the right ones?

Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

If you have some suggestions for key actions, please specify:

8. Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 1 actions? Please Specify

9. Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 2 the right ones?

Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

If you have some suggestions for key actions, please specify:

10. Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 2 actions? Please Specify

11. Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 3 the right ones?

Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

If you have some suggestions for key actions, please specify:

12. Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 3 actions? Please Specify

13. Are the key actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 4 the right ones?

Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

If you have some suggestions for key actions, please specify:

14. Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 4 actions? Please

15. Are the actions proposed for LHS Strategic Outcome 5 the right ones?

Yes  No  Don't know/No opinion

If you have some suggestions for key actions, please specify:

16. Are there any major barriers that will stop us delivering LHS Strategic Outcome 5 actions? Please

17. Are there any specific key actions or actions which you feel will help to support the delivery of the LHS vision and strategic outcomes? Please specify

18. What key action or actions do you think you or your group / organisation can take to contribute towards meeting Scottish Borders Local Housing Strategy vision and outcomes?

**Any Other Comments**

19. Do you have any additional comments about the Draft Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028 that you would like to share:

## Respondent Information

20. I am responding as:

An Individual

from and organisation

21. Name of organisation:

If you are responding as an individual, can you please answer the following questions?

22. What is the first part of your postcode (e.g. TD1 or EH45)?

23. What year were you born?  
Year of Birth

24. How do you identify yourself?

Male

Transgender Female

Female

Other not listed

Non binary

Prefer not to say

Transgender Male

25. What ethnicity do you identify with? Please select all that apply

White

Pakistani

Black

Indian

Scottish

Bangladeshi

British

Chinese

Irish

African

Gypsy / Traveller

Caribbean

Polish

Arab

European

Mixed Race

Asian

Other ethnic group not listed

Other ethnicity not listed - please detail

26. Do you consider yourself to have a disability?

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

27. Do you identify as LGBTIQ+?

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer