

WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY

Between October 2017 and February 2018, Healthy n Happy's Transforming Communities team were out and about, chapping doors and visiting local residents to find out what they thought of the local area, and what they would like to see more of in Overton, Halfway.

The following presents the draft findings and initial action plan which we will be developing further alongside local residents and partners.

Who took part?

- 225 local residents including 83 young people (under 17 years old)
- Majority of respondents have lived in the area for 20 years or less. 42 have lived in Halfway for over 30 years!
- Most participate in activities in the local area at least sometimes but 75 do not participate in any activities.

What do you love about your community?

The top 3 things people love about your community are:

1. The people
2. Big community events
3. Groups especially for seniors and toddlers

What would you like to see more of?

The top 3 things people would like to see more of are:

1. Activities
2. Groups
3. Improved amenities and facilities

Priority group and / or areas

- The majority of people said that children and young people are the priority group
- Most people wanted to see more community focused events, activities and improved indoor and outdoor facilities

TOP 10 FUN PLACES

1. Local parks (Halfway, Calderglen, Cambuslang)
2. North Halfway Hall (seniors group, bingo, events)
3. Pub
4. Clyde Walkway / Cuningar Loop
5. Church
6. Friends / family / neighbour's houses
7. Toddler group
8. Bowling Club
9. Glasgow City Centre
10. The Old Welfare (now demolished)

TOP 10 PLACES TO MEET AND CHAT

1. The street / door step
2. North Halfway Hall
3. Church
4. Pub
5. Local parks
6. Toddler group
7. School
8. Friends / family / neighbour's houses
9. School gates
10. Particip8



"The gala days in summer, christmas lights switch on and the fireworks display are really fun and well attended"



"People all look out for each other, lots of history and community spirit"



"Kids aged 12+ haven't got much to go to in local area, would like to see more local affordable activities for them - indoors and outdoors"



"I would like more regular events where the whole community gets involved, like an annual sports day"

PRIORITIES AND

COMMUNITY



SERVICES

Your priorities are:

- Regular local citizens advice for residents
- Better shop & post office facilities
- Longer library opening times
- More community safety / police office presence
- Home help or befriending service for seniors / people who can't leave their homes

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with local partners incl. South Lanarkshire Council, Police, Citizens Advice Bureau, Overton Tenants Association, Halfway Community Council & Particip8 to explore options & resources
- Collaborate with LEAP & other local partners to discuss potential home help / befriending service options



PEOPLE & VOLUNTEERING

Your priorities are:

- Encouraging more local people to get involved in existing & new community events, groups & activities
- Preserving & enhancing existing community spirit
- Encouraging people to take pride in their community

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with local partners incl. VASLAN, LEAP, Halfway CC & Particip8 to explore & promote volunteering options in local area
- Support local partners to promote events, activities & groups via wide range of media incl. newsletter, website & social media



GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

Your priorities are:

- Social clubs for seniors
- Variety of activities for adults eg. dancing, cooking classes, fitness & exercise, Thai Chi, sewing, gin tasting & tennis
- Activities for all the family eg. days out, dancing, Thai Chi & exercise

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Support the Senior Citizens Group at North Halfway Hall & LEAP to resource & deliver their existing programme of senior activities
- Support Particip8 & Halfway Community Council to resource new & existing adult & family activities & groups
- As required, support the further development of activities for seniors, adults & families



AMENITIES & FACILITIES

Your priorities are:

- A community 'hub' & cafe that is open on a regular (daily) basis and is large enough for wide range of activities & events
- Improvements to existing local facilities eg. North Halfway Hall & local church halls
- Amenities eg. storage for supporting outdoor activities in local area such as running club, walking groups & football

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Support Particip8 Hub developments
- Explore options for improving existing facilities with local partners
- Look for opportunities where outdoor storage & facilities to support outdoor activities could be created



EVENTS

Your priorities are:

- More large-scale events like the fireworks and summer fetes for whole community to participate in
- More regular community events such as community discos, ceilidhs, fun runs & park runs
- Celebrate 25th anniversary of the Overton Tenants Association

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with local partners including Halfway Community Council, Particip8 & Overton Tenants Association to explore & resource new annual & regular community events eg. 25th anniversary of the Tenants Association



ENVIRONMENT & OUTDOOR SPACES

Your priorities are:

- Improved cleanliness and maintenance of local parks & green spaces
- Wider range of equipment, facilities & activities held in local parks eg. outdoor gym, fun runs & community events

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Regular community clean-ups
- Work with local partners to investigate alternative uses of local parks & resources required
- Help to ensure channels of dialogue are open between amenity owners & local residents so that maintenance issues can be addressed

FUTURE ACTION

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE



SERVICES

Your priorities are:

- More local services for families with autism
- Local youth services particularly for young people 10 years old and above eg. Universal Connections, StreetBase

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with REACH Lanarkshire to explore options for development of local activities & relevant pathways for families with autism
- Collaborate with Universal Connections, RegenFX & StreetBase to explore options & resources for additional youth services in Halfway & access to existing local services



PEOPLE & VOLUNTEERING

Your priorities are:

- Encourage involvement of children & young people in their local community
- Help build young people's pride & ownership of their community

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with local partners incl. Parkview Primary School, Halfway CC & Particip8 to explore & promote events, activities & groups focused on children & young people
- Work with local young people through youth activism training to encourage 'young leaders'



GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

Your priorities are:

- More local & affordable regular groups & activities for children & young people throughout the year; particularly 10 years +
- Range of outdoor & indoor activities such as football club, basketball, traditional street games, gymnastics, snooker, kickboxing, dancing, bingo
- Summer programme of activities incl. residential for young people

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with local partners such as Particip8, Project 31, RegenFX, South Lanarkshire Youth Services, Halfway Community Council & Universal Connections to explore options and resources required to expand local youth activities & groups
- Support further development of local activities for children & young people



AMENITIES & FACILITIES

Your priorities are:

- A community 'hub' that is open on a regular (daily) basis and is large enough for wide range of young people focused activities & events eg. youth club, sports clubs
- Outdoor facilities & storage for supporting outdoor activities in local area such as street games, football, rounders,

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Expand & grow resources & facilities for children & young people
- Look for opportunities where outdoor storage & facilities to support outdoor activities could be created



EVENTS

Your priorities are:

- More large-scale local events for children such as funfairs & carnivals
- More regular events for young people such as days out & sports days

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Collaborate with local partners including Halfway Community Council, Particip8 & Parkview Primary School to create schedule of local events for children & young people
- Explore options & resources for further children-oriented events with local partners



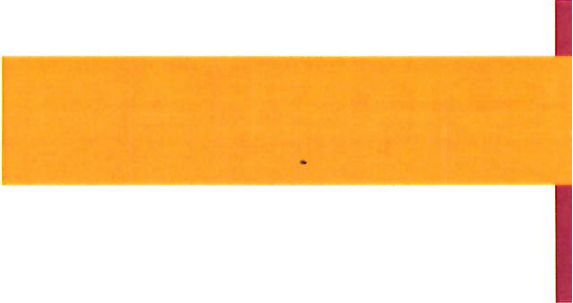
ENVIRONMENT & OUTDOOR SPACES

Your priorities are:

- Fence around existing swing park to increase safety of children playing in it
- Make better use of derelict space near to Mill Road flats eg. for sports & activities for young people
- Wider range of age-appropriate equipment, facilities & activities held in local parks eg. variety of swing parks

FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Work with local residents & Halfway Community Council to develop fencing options for the swing park
- Work with local residents & partners to explore options for using existing green and derelict spaces for young-people focused activities



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