

Fa'side Area Partnership

Prioritising the emerging themes

Where should we concentrate if we want to make a real difference to the lives of people in the Fa'side ward?

Town Centre Regeneration

Tranent – working group established in collaboration with TECAP Steering Group

Villages – identifying key practical / infrastructure improvements that would make a difference

Anti-social behaviour and perceptions of crime – involving the whole community in taking ownership of this issue.

Effective travel between villages, Tranent and beyond – including safe cycle and walking paths and access to affordable / useful public transport

Improving community information and co-ordination across the ward - mapping and a possible virtual community hub, with a parallel aim of trying to involve newer residents more in their local area

Community Facilities – covering

- improving access and opportunities at existing facilities across the area (village halls, village community centres, Loch Centre, Fraser Centre, sports facilities, schools, greenspaces)
- promoting better co-ordination and use
- the need for new facilities eg a Community Centre for Tranent

Challenges to living a healthy, active life in the area – with a focus on health inequalities (and not just those 'living in poverty') - could look at issues ranging from access to health services, to foodbank use and the availability of healthy food, to access to leisure facilities.

'wraparound communities' – able to support vulnerable/at risk people within the local area of all ages – eg early years work to ensure children get the best start in life, through to support for older people to stay involved in their communities eg dementia friendly initiatives.

Business and the economy – looking at the promotion of business opportunities across the ward, economic development through improved broadband connectivity and encouraging local employment.