The background of the cover is a photograph of a park-like setting. In the foreground, there is a grassy area. In the middle ground, a body of water (likely the River Tyne) is visible, with several white swans swimming. A stone bridge is visible in the background, partially obscured by trees. The sky is blue with some clouds. The entire image is framed by a thick orange border.

MUSSELBURGH WARDS

DATA PROFILE

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Introduction and Sources

The profile has been compiled in consideration of the East Lothian Single Outcome Agreement and to reflect the priorities identified by the East Lothian Community Planning Partnership.

In preparing this profile every attempt has been made to use the most recent information publically available for each theme and therefore the information here has come from a variety of sources including :-

- **East Lothian Residents Survey 2011**– commissioned by East Lothian Council
- **East Lothian Customer Survey 2009**– commissioned by East Lothian Council
These cover a range of issues including quality of life, community cohesion, social attitudes, community safety, contact with the Council and satisfaction with services.
- **Scotland's Census Results Online 2001** - www.scrol.gov.uk
- **Scottish Neighbourhood Statistics** – www.sns.gov.uk part of the Scottish Governments on-going programme to improve the availability, consistency and accessibility of small area statistics in Scotland
- **Community Health and Well-being Profiles** – produced by the Scottish Public Health Observatory (ScotPHO) and comprising 61 indicators of health and wider determinants of health www.scotpho.org.uk/profiles
- **Scottish Schools Online** - www.ltscotland.org.uk/scottishschoolsonline/
- **Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD)** – – provides an analysis of the SIMD 2012and, in particular, change in each of the domains between SIMD 2009 and SIMD 2012 www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/SIMD/
- **East Lothian Council** - Information provided by relevant East Lothian Council Departments and through the Committee Management Information System
- **NOMIS** - a service provided by the Office for National Statistics, ONS, to give free access to the most detailed and up-to-date UK labor market statistics from official sources www.nomisweb.co.uk
- **Student Evaluation of Experience Survey 2012** – East Lothian Council
- **Lothian and Borders Police** – Measuring our Performance www.lbp.police.uk/freedom-of-information/pl_performance.asp
- **The Scottish Government** - www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/ where a range of government statistics are arranged under various key themes
- **Youth Vision 2008** – East Lothian - <http://youthvisionel.net/>

The Musselburgh East and West Wards

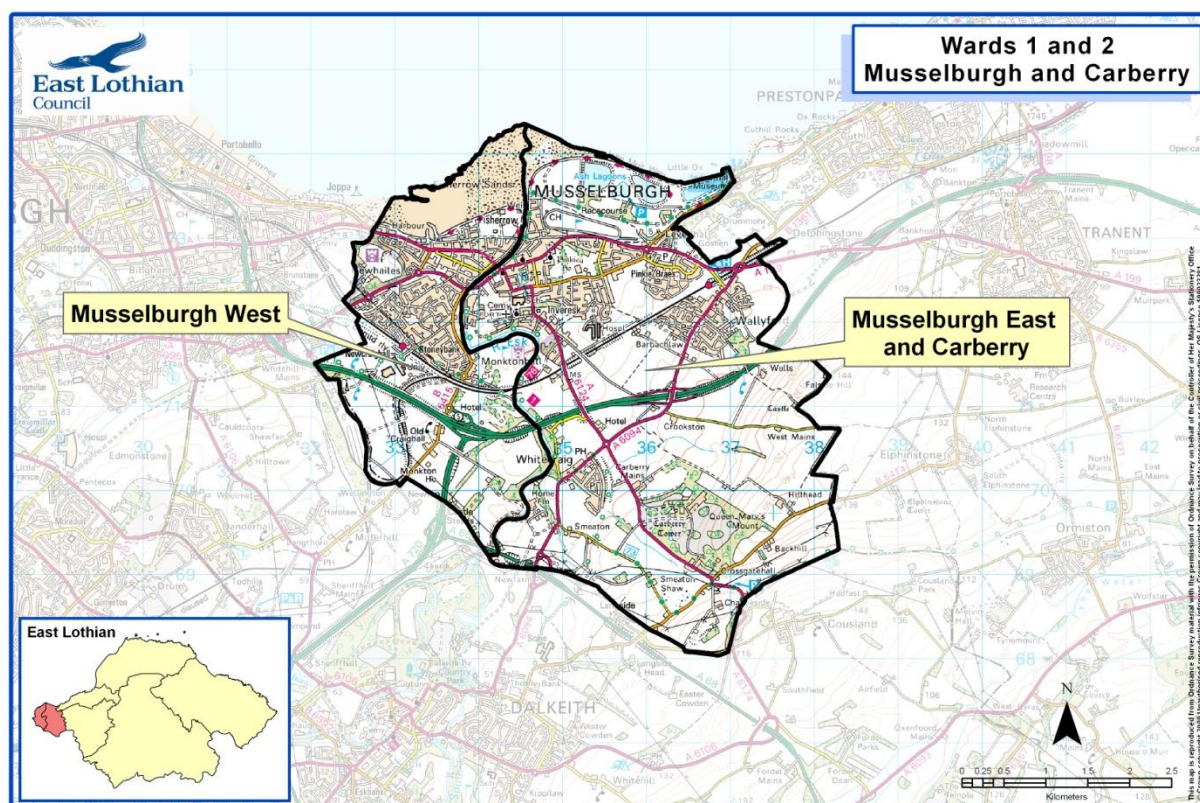
The Musselburgh Area, or Musselburgh cluster, is situated at the western end of East Lothian.

It includes the East Lothian Council multi-member wards of **Musselburgh West** and **Musselburgh East and Carberry** and includes the settlements of:-

- Musselburgh
- Wallyford
- Whitecraig
- Carberry
- Old Craighall

24,119 people live in the wards. This equates to 25% of the population of East Lothian. Across the Musselburgh wards the population has grown by only 4% since 2001, notably lower than the East Lothian growth rate of 8%.

(www.sns.gov.uk)



PLEASE NOTE - Throughout this profile a number of different sources have been used to gather statistical information, which each use different boundaries and area definitions.

In this report;

- **Musselburgh East and Musselburgh West** are used to refer to the East Lothian Local Authority ward areas.
- **The Musselburgh Area** is used to refer to the combined east and west wards
- **Musselburgh, Wallyford and Whitecraig** is used to refer to the individual town, as defined by the census boundaries
- **Intermediate zones** are also used to present variations within the ward. In this case Musselburgh is divided into the **Musselburgh North zone** (covering Goosegreen and the North section of Fisherrow), **Musselburgh South zone** (covering the Stoneybank to Inveresk areas), **Musselburgh East zone** (covering the Windsor Park to Stoneybank areas), **Musselburgh West zone** (covering the Newhailes and Whitehill areas), the **Whitecraig zone** and the **Wallyford zone**.

Population

24119 people live in the Musselburgh area.

(General Register of Scotland, 2011 midyear estimate)

- 25% of the population of East Lothian live within the **Musselburgh Area**
- 10107 people live in the **Musselburgh West ward**
- 14012 people live within the **Musselburgh East and Carberry ward**
 - 5602 of these people live in the separate villages of **Wallyford** (3606) and **Whitecraig** (1996)

Across East Lothian the population is growing – with a growth rate of 8% since 2001. This has not been the case within the Musselburgh Area.

- Since 2001 the population in the Musselburgh West ward has dropped by 5%
- In Musselburgh East the population has grown by 11%
- Overall for the Musselburgh Area the population has increased by 4% - unlike East Lothian as a whole

(General Register of Scotland, 2011 midyear estimate)

How old are they?

	Musselburgh East	Musselburgh West	Musselburgh total	East Lothian
% of the population are children & young people	19%	17%	18%	19%
% of the population are of working age*	63%	62%	63%	60%
% of the population are of pensionable age	18%	21%	19%	21%

*males aged 16-64 and females aged 16 - 60.14 years

(General Register of Scotland, 2011 midyear estimate)

- In Musselburgh West there are proportionally fewer children (aged 0-15) than there are across East Lothian
- In Musselburgh East there are proportionally fewer 'people of pensionable age' (aged 65 and over) than across East Lothian as a whole
- The Musselburgh area has a higher concentration of 'people of working age' than East Lothian as a whole
- There is also considerable variation within ward areas:
 - in the Whitecraig zone, for example, 65% of the population are of working age and only 16% are of pensionable age.
 - in the Wallyford zone by contrast there are proportionally more children (24%) and fewer people of pensionable age (12%)

Where are they from?

(www.scot.nhs.uk)

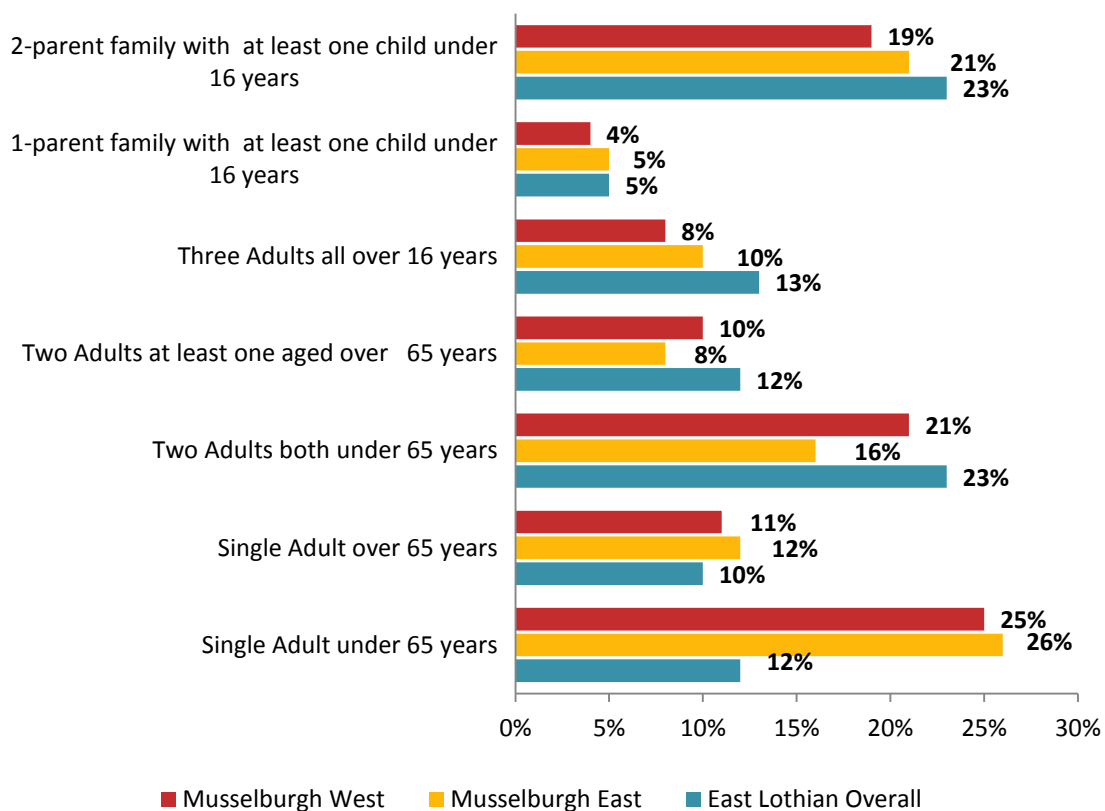
According to the most recently published census figures (2001):-

- 90% of the population within the Musselburgh area was born in Scotland (this is above the average for East Lothian and Scotland)
- 7% were born elsewhere in the UK
- 3% were born elsewhere in Europe or in another part of the world – for the rest of Scotland this figure increases to 4%

The results of the East Lothian Customer Survey (2009) showed that:-

- 49% of residents in the Musselburgh West and 52% in Musselburgh East have lived in East Lothian for more than 20 years. These are both slightly lower than across East Lothian as a whole(54%).

How are their households made up?



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

The results of the East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) appear to confirm the household trends recorded in the 2001 census. They show that

- more adults live alone in the Musselburgh Area than elsewhere in East Lothian
 - 25-26% of households had a single adult of working age compare to 12% overall
 - There are also proportionally more adults of pensionable age living alone than across East Lothian as a whole
- The results also seem to suggest that there are proportionally less households with dependent children across the area than across East Lothian overall

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) 2009 identifies concentrations of deprivation in East Lothian in Fa'side, Preston/Seton/Gosford, and Musselburgh East.

- 6 datazones in East Lothian are ranked within the 20% most deprived datazones in Scotland – 1 of these is in Musselburgh East
- This area of Wimpey (datazone S01001592) falls within the 15-20% most deprived areas of Scotland – a significant drop in ranking from 2009
- This same area is also ranked within the poorest 20% of datazones in Scotland in terms of income deprivation, employment deprivation, education deprivation and crime.

(www.sns.gov.uk/Simd/)

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD)

The SIMD is a tool used by the Scottish Government to identify concentrations of deprivation across Scotland in a consistent manner. It does this by dividing the country into 6505 datazones (each averaging around 750 people). There are 120 datazones in East Lothian.

These datazones are then ranked against key measures of deprivation – income, education, crime, health, employment, geographic access and housing – as well as by overall deprivation.

It is important to note that the SIMD only identifies concentrations of deprivation. Therefore not all people who are deprived live in a datazone highlighted by the SIMD, and not all people living within an identified datazone are deprived

Income and Employment

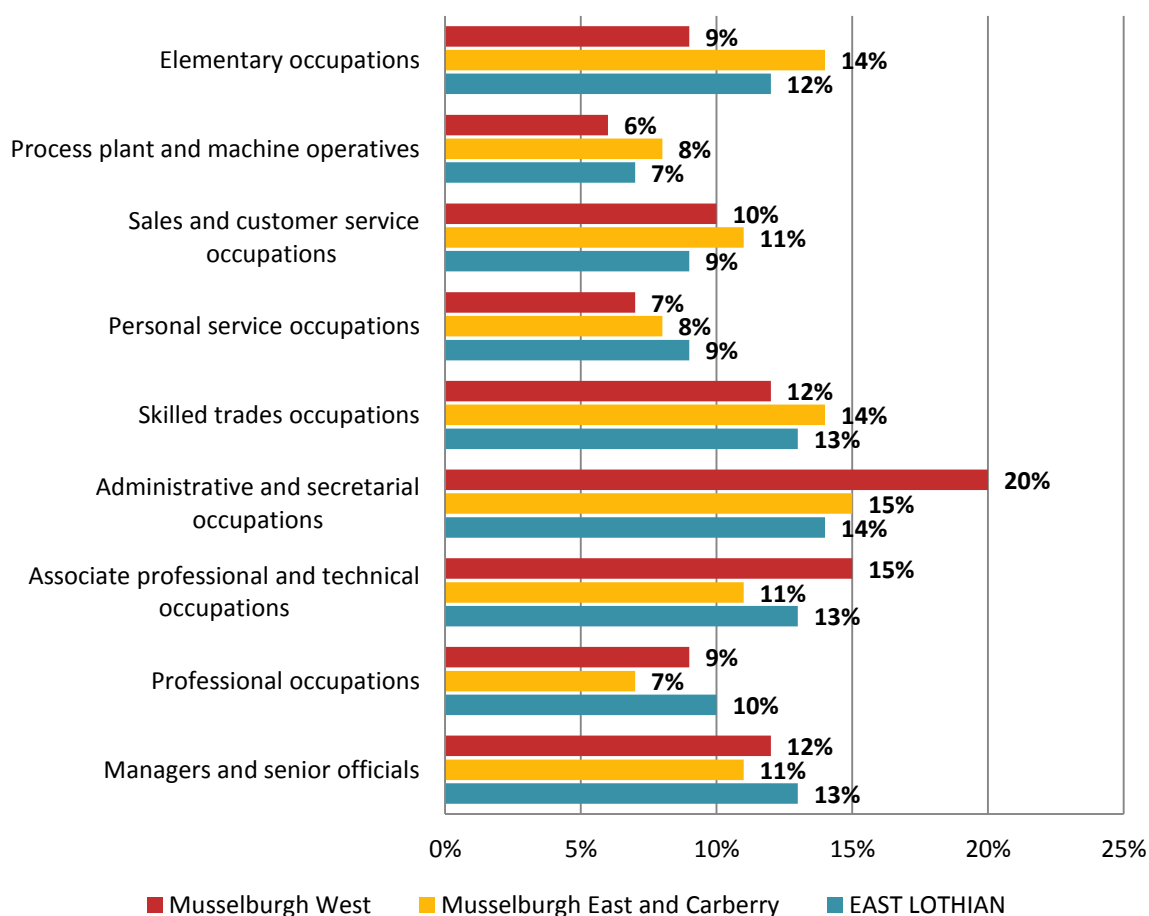
Latest population estimates (2011) suggest that 63% of people in the Musselburgh area are aged of working age (16-years to state pension age).

- 6332 in the Musselburgh West ward
- 8854 in the Musselburgh East ward

Rates of employment across the different industry sectors are generally the same as across the rest of East Lothian however:-

- In Musselburgh East more people work in 'Wholesale and Retail Trade and Repairs' than the East Lothian average – 17% compared to 14%
- In Musselburgh West a higher percentage of people work within Financial, Business and Public Services (traditionally 'white collar' occupations) than across East Lothian as a whole – 34% compared to 28%. However, as the graph below suggests, many of these will be working in administrative and technical occupations.
- Across the Musselburgh area only 1% are employed in agriculture and primary industry compared to 4% across East Lothian
- In Musselburgh East a significantly higher percentage of people work in sales, customer services and elementary occupations than elsewhere in the county.

% of people employed across Occupation Groups



(www.scrol.gov.uk)

Economic Activity in the Musselburgh area

The 2001 census indicates that :-

- In Musselburgh West 72% of people of working age were 'economically active' – meaning they were working and/or looking for work. This compares to 65% in Musselburgh East and 68% across East Lothian.

	Muss. East	Muss. West	East Lothian
% of the working age population who were 'Economically Inactive'	35%	28%	32%
Of those who were Economically Inactive :-			
% who were Retired	14%	14%	15%
% studying	3%	2%	2%
% looking after home / family	6%	4%	6%
% permanently sick / disabled	8%	6%	6%

www.scot.gov.uk

- In Musselburgh West 55% of people who were economically active were employed full-time, compared to 46% in Musselburgh East and 50% across East Lothian.
- In Musselburgh West the percentage of people unemployed and looking for work who were aged 50+ was 24%, significantly higher than the Scottish and East Lothian average of 18%
- Across Musselburgh (and over the whole of East Lothian) the percentage of people 'economically inactive' and registered as permanently sick / disabled was significantly above the Scottish average of 4%. In areas of Musselburgh East this figure was even higher, rising to 10%.

Employment Deprivation

The SIMD Employment Domain includes four indicators that act as proxies for levels of unemployment or employment deprivation:

- Working Age Unemployment Claimant Count averaged over 12 months;
- Working Age Incapacity Benefit claimants, men aged under 65, women aged under 60;
- Working Age Severe Disablement Allowance claimants;
- Working Age Compulsory New Deal participants - New Deal for the under 25s and New Deal for the 25+ not included in the unemployment claimant count

- Approximately 11.5% of the population of the Musselburgh area is considered to be employment deprived.
- The proportion of the population that is employment deprived in the Musselburgh Area is higher than for East Lothian (10%) as a whole although lower than the figure for Scotland (13%).
- The proportion of the population considered to be employment deprived in these areas ranges from 3% to 21%.

Musselburgh: datazones: proportion of the population that are Employment Deprived					
Datazone	Area	% employment deprived	Datazone	Area	% employment deprived
S01001555	Musselburgh East	15.0	S01001563	Musselburgh West	5.0
S01001560	Musselburgh East	6.0	S01001564	Musselburgh West	11.0
S01001561	Musselburgh East	9.0	S01001565	Musselburgh West	16.0
S01001568	Musselburgh East	5.0	S01001566	Musselburgh West	6.0
S01001571	Musselburgh East	18.0	S01001570	Musselburgh West	4.0
S01001574	Musselburgh East	18.0	S01001572	Musselburgh West	9.0
S01001579	Musselburgh East	15.0	S01001575	Musselburgh West	11.0
S01001580	Musselburgh East	9.0	S01001581	Musselburgh West	9.0
S01001582	Musselburgh East	14.0	S01001584	Musselburgh West	11.0
S01001583	Musselburgh East	14.0	S01001586	Musselburgh West	5.0
S01001585	Musselburgh East	16.0	S01001590	Musselburgh West	9.0
S01001588	Musselburgh East	15.0	S01001594	Musselburgh West	17.0
S01001592	Musselburgh East	21.0	S01001598	Musselburgh West	3.0
S01001593	Musselburgh East	12.0	S01001599	Musselburgh West	14.0
S01001596	Musselburgh East	9.0	S01001600	Musselburgh West	17.0
S01001597	Musselburgh East	9.0	To identify which localities are covered by each datazone go to http://www.sns.gov.uk/Simd/Simd.aspx		
S01001606	Musselburgh East	17.0			

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How are these wards coping financially?

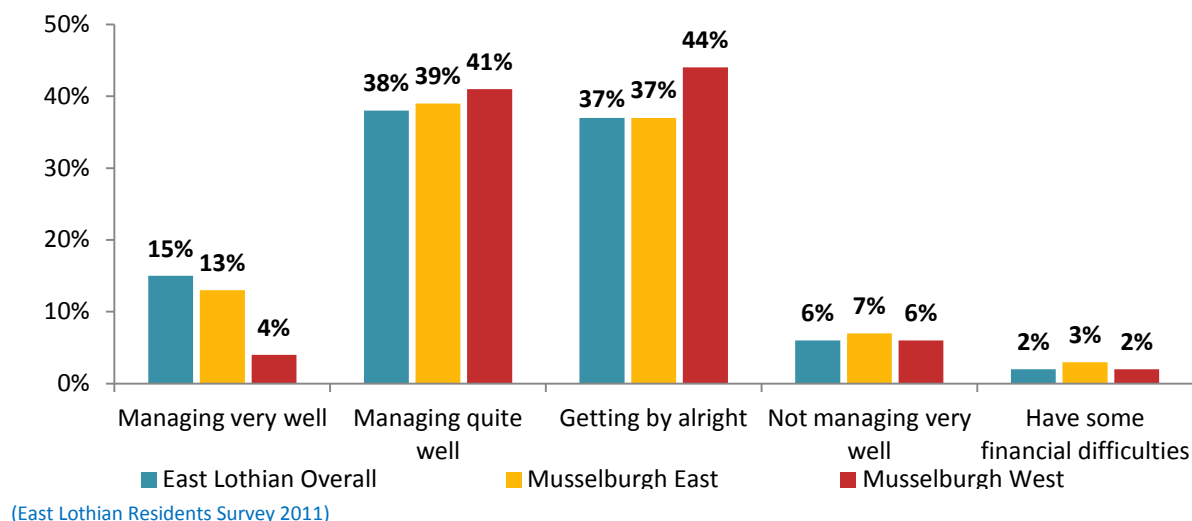
Results from the East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) show that 9% of people surveyed in the Musselburgh East ward felt that poverty was either a 'serious' or 'very serious' problem in their local area (compared to 3% in Musselburgh West and across East Lothian)

- At March 2012 14.1% of the working age population across East Lothian were claiming key benefits
 - this rose to 17.6% in Musselburgh East and fell to 13.6% in Musselburgh West
 - in Musselburgh East the percentage of those aged 50-64 claiming key benefits is 20.4%, significantly above the rate for East Lothian (15.1%) or Musselburgh West (15.3%)
 - at the same time for those aged 16-24 only 12.9% in Musselburgh West were claiming key benefits, compared to 14.1% across east Lothian (and 14.3% in Musselburgh East)
- At March 2012 4.4% of the working age population in Musselburgh East were claiming Income Support (compared to 3.2% across East Lothian and Musselburgh West)
- At March 2012 17.1% of those of pensionable age in Musselburgh East, and 14.5% of those in Musselburgh West, were claiming guaranteed Pension Credits (compared to 12.7% across East Lothian)

(www.sns.gov.uk)

As part of the East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) people across the county were also asked

'How would you say your household is currently managing financially?'

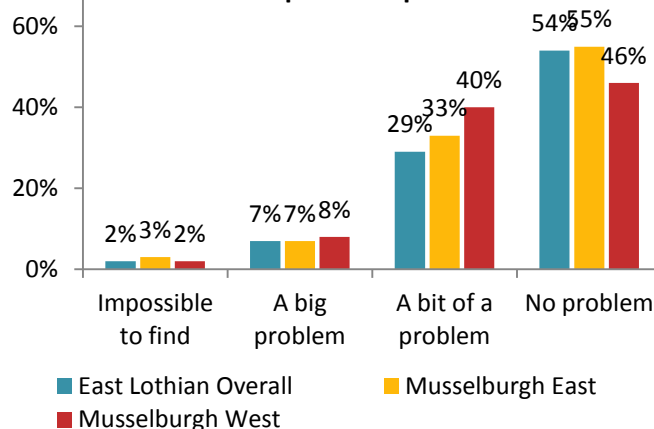


Across the Musselburgh area people were less likely to say that their households were managing 'very well' than across East Lothian as a whole, however they were marginally more likely to say that they were 'managing quite well'.

Elsewhere in the survey, people were asked how their household would cope with an unexpected expense of £250.

- 10% across the Musselburgh Area reported this would be either 'a big problem' or 'impossible to find'.
- At the same time however 55% in Musselburgh East and 46% in Musselburgh West reported that this would be 'no problem' (compared to 54% across East Lothian as a whole)

How would your household be placed if you suddenly had to find £250 to meet an unexpected expense?



Income deprivation

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation income domain identifies areas where there are concentrations of individuals and families living on low incomes. This is done by looking at the numbers of people, both adult and children, who are receiving, or are dependent on, benefits related to income or tax credits. It is not possible to look at actual income as this data is not available at datazone level, so the indicators used in this domain are known as proxy indicators.

The income domain includes four indicators of income deprivation:

- adults and children in income support households
- adults in Guarantee Pension Credit Households
- adults and children in Job Seekers Allowance households
- adults and children in Tax Credit families

Approximately 20.3% of the population of the Musselburgh area is considered to be income deprived.

- The proportion of the population that is income deprived in the Musselburgh area is higher than for East Lothian (11%) and Scotland as a whole (13%).
- The proportion of the population that are considered to be income deprived in these areas ranges from 2% to 25%.

Musselburgh: proportion of the population that are Income Deprived					
Datazone	Area	% income deprived	Datazone	Area	% income deprived
S01001555	Musselburgh East	19.0	S01001563	Musselburgh West	5.0
S01001560	Musselburgh East	8.0	S01001564	Musselburgh West	12.0
S01001561	Musselburgh East	11.0	S01001565	Musselburgh West	14.0
S01001568	Musselburgh East	5.0	S01001566	Musselburgh West	9.0
S01001571	Musselburgh East	18.0	S01001570	Musselburgh West	2.0
S01001574	Musselburgh East	20.0	S01001572	Musselburgh West	8.0
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S01001593	Musselburgh East	11.0	S01001599	Musselburgh West	14.0
S01001596	Musselburgh East	11.0	S01001600	Musselburgh West	18.0
S01001597	Musselburgh East	9.0	To identify which localities are covered by each datazone go to http://www.sns.gov.uk/Simd/Simd.aspx		
S01001606	Musselburgh East	21.0			

(www.sns.gov.uk/Simd/)

Jobseekers Allowance

Jobseekers Allowance is the main benefit for people who are out of work. Although the conditions may be relaxed under certain circumstances, to get Jobseeker's Allowance a person must:

- be actively looking for work
- be able (and available) to work for at least 40 hours a week.
- attend a Jobcentre at least once every 2 weeks to ensure they have been looking for work and that nothing has changed that could affect their claim for Jobseeker's

- Approximately 4.3% of the population of the Musselburgh Area aged between 16 and 64 claimed Job Seekers Allowance during the first quarter of 2012.
- The proportion of the population claiming Job Seekers Allowance in the Musselburgh area is higher than for East Lothian (3.6%) and roughly the same as Scotland as a whole (4.3%).

- In Musselburgh East 4.5% of the working age population was claiming Job Seekers Allowance at the end of March 2012
 - This is up from 1.5% in March 2008 - a proportional growth rate of 200% (compared to 192% across East Lothian)
- In Musselburgh West 3.7% of the working age population was claiming Job Seekers Allowance at the end of March 2012
 - This is up from 1.3% in March 2008 – - a proportional growth rate of 186%
- The proportion of the population claiming Job Seekers Allowance in these areas ranges by datazone from 1% to 8.7%.
- 6.6% of those aged 16-24 in Musselburgh East, and 6.7% in Musselburgh West, were claiming Job Seekers allowance (compared to 6.9% across East Lothian)
- 2.3% of the working aged population over 50 in Musselburgh East and 2% in Musselburgh West, were claiming Job Seekers allowance (compared to 1.8% across East Lothian)

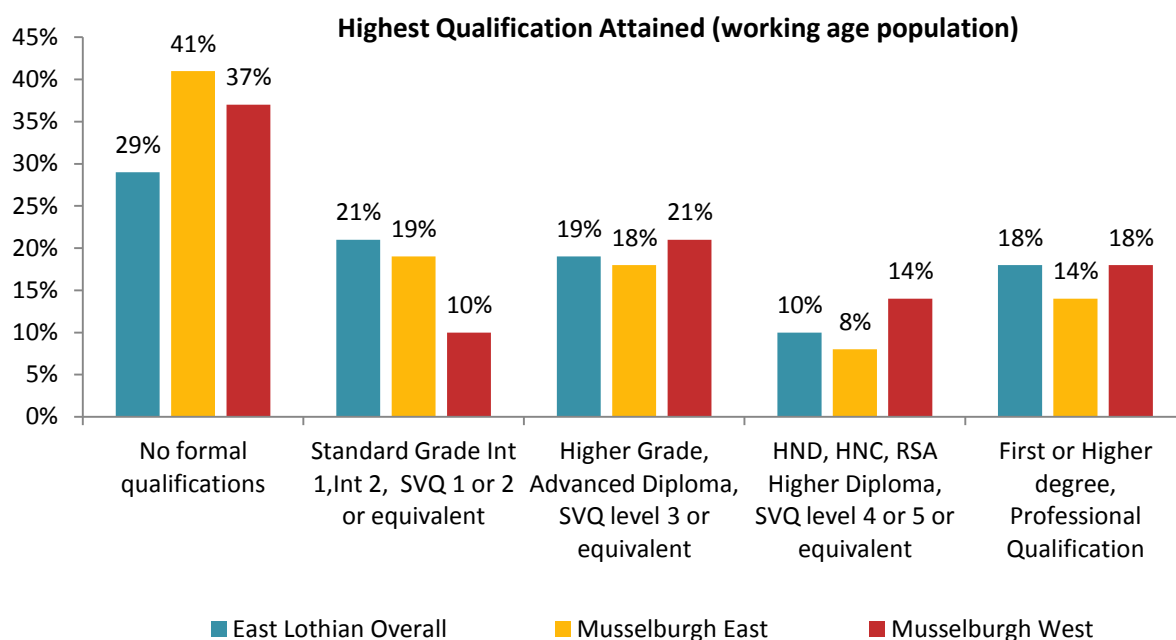
Musselburgh: % of the population aged 16-64 claiming Job Seekers Allowance Q1 2012					
Datazone	Area	% of population aged 16-64 claiming JSA	Datazone	Area	% of population aged 16-64 claiming JSA
S01001555	Musselburgh East	3.4	S01001563	Musselburgh West	1.3
S01001560	Musselburgh East	2.1	S01001564	Musselburgh West	1.6
S01001561	Musselburgh East	3.2	S01001565	Musselburgh West	3.1
S01001568	Musselburgh East	1	S01001566	Musselburgh West	3.4
S01001571	Musselburgh East	6.5	S01001570	Musselburgh West	1.3
S01001574	Musselburgh East	5.9	S01001572	Musselburgh West	2.6
S01001579	Musselburgh East	6.1	S01001575	Musselburgh West	5
S01001580	Musselburgh East	3	S01001581	Musselburgh West	3.4
S01001582	Musselburgh East	6.6	S01001584	Musselburgh West	4.3
S01001583	Musselburgh East	8.5	S01001586	Musselburgh West	1.5
S01001585	Musselburgh East	4.5	S01001590	Musselburgh West	3.6
S01001588	Musselburgh East	5.5	S01001594	Musselburgh West	6.4
S01001592	Musselburgh East	8.7	S01001598	Musselburgh West	1.2
S01001593	Musselburgh East	4.6	S01001599	Musselburgh West	6.5
S01001596	Musselburgh East	2.1	S01001600	Musselburgh West	5.7
S01001597	Musselburgh East	3.2	To identify which localities are covered by each datazone go to http://www.sns.gov.uk/Simd/Simd.aspx		
S01001606	Musselburgh East	6.1			

Education and Training

Education and Training among adults

Overall the working age population of East Lothian are more highly qualified than the Scottish average.

- In East Lothian the proportion of the workforce with no qualifications is similar to the Scottish average and falling. (www.scrol.gov.uk)



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

According to the East Lothian Residents Survey 2011:-

- 47% of working age people in East Lothian is qualified to SVQ level 3 or higher and 18% have undertaken some form of Higher or Further Education.
 - In Musselburgh West this rises to 53% qualified to SVQ level 3 or higher
 - In Musselburgh East however this drops to 40% qualified to SVQ level 3 or higher with 14% have undertaken some form of Higher or Further Education.
- People across the Musselburgh wards are more likely to have no formal qualifications than elsewhere in East Lothian

East Lothian Council's Community Learning and Development Services record that 127,647 Adult Learning opportunities were provided across East Lothian in 2012

- 40,571 (or 32%) of these were provided in the Musselburgh area

Education and Training for children and young people

- 4348 of the Musselburgh area's population (or 18%) are children and young people aged 0-16 years (and 2941, or 12% are of compulsory school age 5-15 years)
- There are 7 Primary Schools, 1 High School and 1 Independent Boarding and Day School located within the Musselburgh Area

- In September 2011 there were 1706 pupils enrolled at Local Authority Primary Schools across the Musselburgh Area.
- In September 2011 there were 1254 pupils enrolled at Musselburgh Grammar School

Musselburgh Grammar School has seen reasonably stable exam rates for pupils at the end of S4 over recent years. In 2011/12

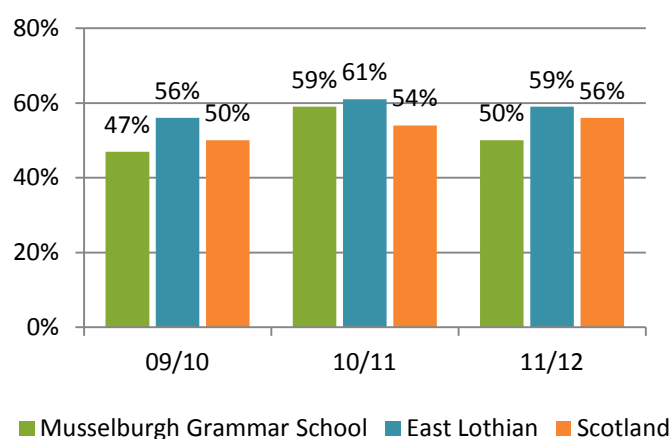
- 93% of the S4 year group achieved five or more awards at Level 3 (Standard Grade Foundation level or equivalent) or better compared to an East Lothian average of 96%
- 71% of the S4 year group achieved five or more awards at Level 4 (Standard Grade General level or equivalent) or better compared to an East Lothian average of 82%
- 24% of the S4 year group achieved five or more awards at Level 5 (Standard Grade Credit level or equivalent) or better compared to an East Lothian average of 38%

www.ltscotland.org.uk/scottishschoolsonline

The graph to the right shows Staying on Rates to S6.

- Staying on rates at Musselburgh Grammar are significantly below both the East Lothian and the Scottish average.

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When Primary 6 and Secondary 2 pupils across Musselburgh were asked in the 2012 Student Evaluation of Experience Survey:

- 82% agree that they enjoyed being at their school (compared to 86% East Lothian wide)
- 86% agreed that they were 'treated fairly' at their school
- 84% said they feel 'safe and secure' in school (compared to 89% East Lothian wide)
- 79% agreed that they contributed to how decisions are made in school (compared to 78% East Lothian wide)
- 84% agreed that the school recognised their achievements in school however this percentage was significantly reduced when asked whether their school recognised their achievements outside of school, where it dropped to 53%

When young people from Musselburgh were surveyed for the Youth Vision Strategy:-

- 65% reported that they participated in activities outside school which contribute to their informal learning – including participation in youth clubs, sports, uniformed organisations, volunteering and non-vocational classes (eg drama, art or music lessons)

East Lothian Council's Community Learning and Development Services record that 114,574 Youth Work opportunities were taken up across East Lothian in 2012

- 30,715 (or 27%) were provided across the Musselburgh area

School Leavers

Across East Lothian more school leavers are entering higher and further education than ever before but this figure still falls below the Scottish average.

- 67% of school leavers from Musselburgh Grammar in 2007/08 went straight into Higher or Further education or Training.
- This is marginally above the East Lothian average of 65% and below the Scottish average of 69%

2010 / 11 School Leaver Destinations

	Musselburgh Grammar	East Lothian	Scotland
Full-time higher education	28%	36%	36%
Full-time Further education	33%	23%	27%
Training	6%	6%	6%
Employment	20%	22%	20%
Unemployed, seeking employment	12%	12%	10%
Unemployed, not seeking employment	1%	2%	1%

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- There were also clear differences depending on where within Musselburgh pupils were from – while 72% of school leavers from Musselburgh West went into Higher or Further Education and Training, this dropped to 62% in Musselburgh East (www.sns.gov.uk)
- Pupils from Musselburgh Grammar were more likely however to go into Further Education (33%) than attend University (28%), although again there were clear differences within the area.
 - In Musselburgh West 35% went into Higher Education compared to 24% from Musselburgh East (www.sns.gov.uk)
- 31% of pupils from Musselburgh Grammar went into employment on leaving school – above the Scottish average of 25%
- 12% of pupils however were unemployed and seeking work, compared to the Scottish average of 10%
 - In Musselburgh West however only 8% were unemployed and seeking work compared to 18% from Musselburgh East (www.sns.gov.uk)

Health and Social Care

Life Expectancy

Across East Lothian male and female life expectancies are significantly better than the Scottish average, and have been rising steadily over time.

- The average man in East Lothian can expect to live to 76.1 years age
- The average woman can expect to live to 80.6 years of age

(ScotPHO – Health and Wellbeing Profiles 2010)

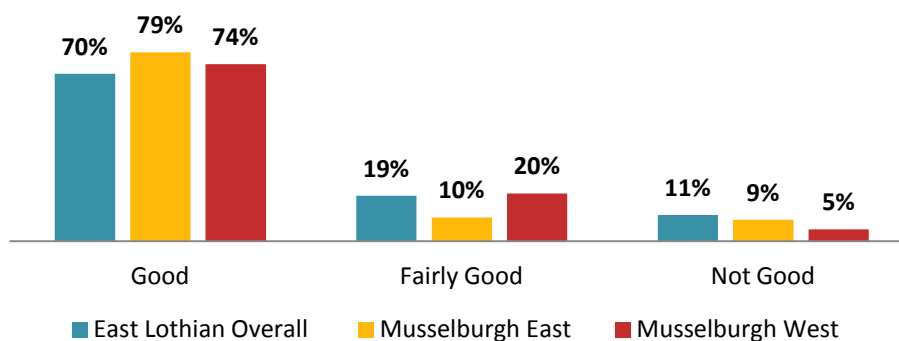
Across the Musselburgh area a person's average life expectancy is slightly above the East Lothian average:-

- In Musselburgh West the average life expectancy for men is 79.4 years and for women it is 84.2 years
- In Musselburgh East the average life expectancy for men is 76.7 years and for women it is 82.1 years
- There is however variation within the ward areas that corresponds to areas of deprivation – in the Wallyford zone, for example, male life expectancy falls to 72.8 years (below the Scottish average of 74.5 years). In the Whitecraig zone female life expectancy drops to 77.1 years (compared to a Scottish average of 79.5)

(ScotPHO – Health and Wellbeing Profiles 2010)

Across Musselburgh the overwhelming majority of people described their own health as either 'Good' or 'Fairly Good' during the 2011 East Lothian Residents Survey.

How would you currently rate your own health?



East Lothian Residents Survey 2011

In the same survey 16% of respondents in Musselburgh West stated that someone in their household had a long term illness, health problem or disability which limits their daily activities or the work they can do. This was lower than reported in Musselburgh East (20%) and significantly lower than the reported East Lothian average of 22%.

Illness and Hospital Admissions

In 2010 the Musselburgh West Ward had a rate of emergency hospital admissions of 800 per 10,000 people. The rate for Musselburgh East and Carberry during the same period was 741 per 10,000.

- Both of these are lower than the rate for East Lothian (814 per 10,000) and Scotland as a whole (1,002 per 10,000)
- There is considerable variation across the area when this information is broken down into intermediate zones (as shown in the table below)

**Hospital admissions per 10 000 people
(age standardised)**

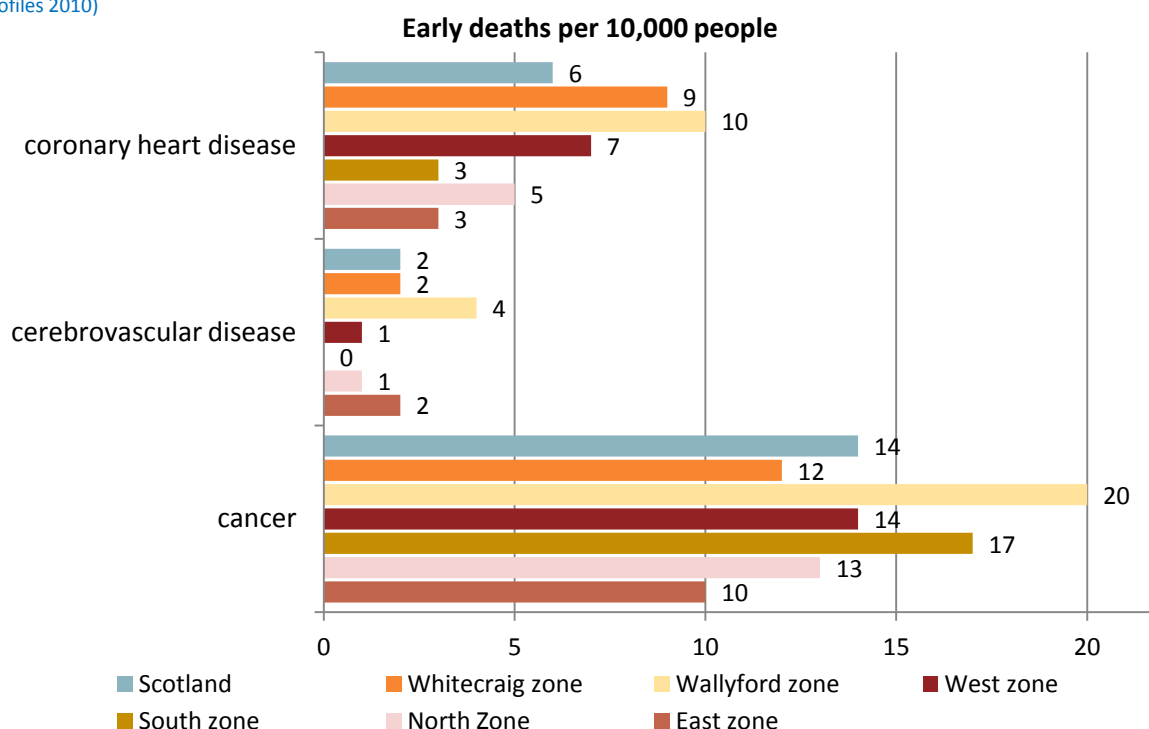
	East Lothian Av.	Muss. East zone	Muss. West zone	Muss. South zone	Muss. North zone	Wallyford zone	Whitecraig zone
Emergency admission	638	614	524	558	602	655	736
Alcohol related	109	98	71	80	101	99	122
Drug related	9	6	7	9	7	8	6
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	16	16	20	13	20	11	23
Coronary Heart Disease	38	45	27	28	25	48	44
Cerebrovascular Disease	17	15	18	15	25	14	20
Asthma	47	45	27	35	36	32	55
Fall in the home (65+)	71	93	42	78	88	104	107
Psychiatric	30	25	29	23	34	26	37

(ScotPHO – Health and Wellbeing Profiles 2010)

- When broken down even further to the 32 datazones that make up the Musselburgh area the differences are even more evident - the rate of emergency hospital admissions in these areas ranges from 391 to 1742 per 10,000 people.

Mortality

Early deaths (classified as deaths under the age of 75 years) are recorded under 3 main causes – cancer, coronary heart disease and cerebrovascular disease. (ScotPHO – Health and Wellbeing Profiles 2010)



- Across the Musselburgh area there is considerable variation in the rates of early deaths (as can be seen from the graph below)
- In most cases however a considerable proportion of the Musselburgh area has early death rates equal to or above the Scottish average

Local Access to Health Services

As part of the East Lothian Customer Survey (2009) residents were asked how easy was it to access a range of health related services using their normal means of transport.

- 94% across the Musselburgh area stated that it was easy (or very easy) to get to a GP. This compares to only 71% of people across East Lothian stating it was easy.
- 96% in Musselburgh East and 95% in Musselburgh West reported that it was easy (or very easy) to travel to a chemist or pharmacy. Only 89% of people across East Lothian agreed.
- In Musselburgh West 93% of people said it was easy (or very easy) to access local hospital services however this figure fell sharply in Musselburgh East where only 79% felt it was easy and 7% reported that it was 'very difficult'.

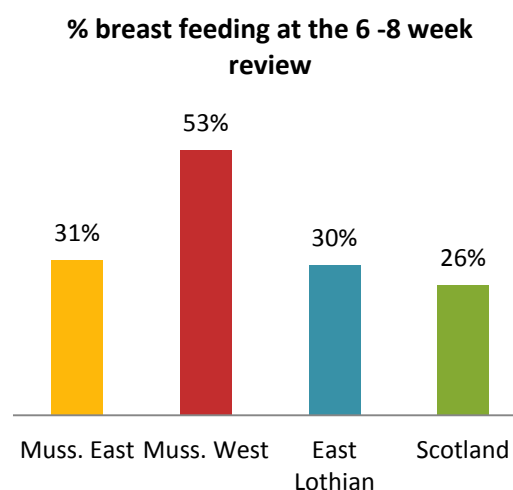
Maternity and Child Health

Population estimates from the General Register of Scotland indicate that in 2011 there were:-

- 911 children aged 0 - 4 years living in Musselburgh East
- 496 children aged 0 - 4 living in Musselburgh West

Health data regarding children in East Lothian is, in the main, very positive, including breastfeeding rates well above the Scottish average and a similar situation regarding child dental health in primary 1. However there is significant variation across the area.

- Smoking during pregnancy in Musselburgh is below the Scottish average at 20%.
- 44% of babies in Musselburgh East and 60% in Musselburgh West are being exclusively breast fed at their first visit from a Health Visitor.
- However, as the graph to the left indicates this figure drops across the area by the time of the 6-8 week review, and falls to 30% in Wallyford and Whitecraig. (2011, www.sns.gov.uk)
- Teenage pregnancy rates across Musselburgh are marginally above the Scottish average – with approx. 5 teen pregnancies over 3 years per 100 females aged 13-19.
 - There appears again to be variation across the wards – from 8 per 100 females aged 13-19 in the Wallyford and Musselburgh West zones 0 in Musselburgh South



Young People's Attitudes to Health

In the 2012 Students Evaluation of Experience Survey

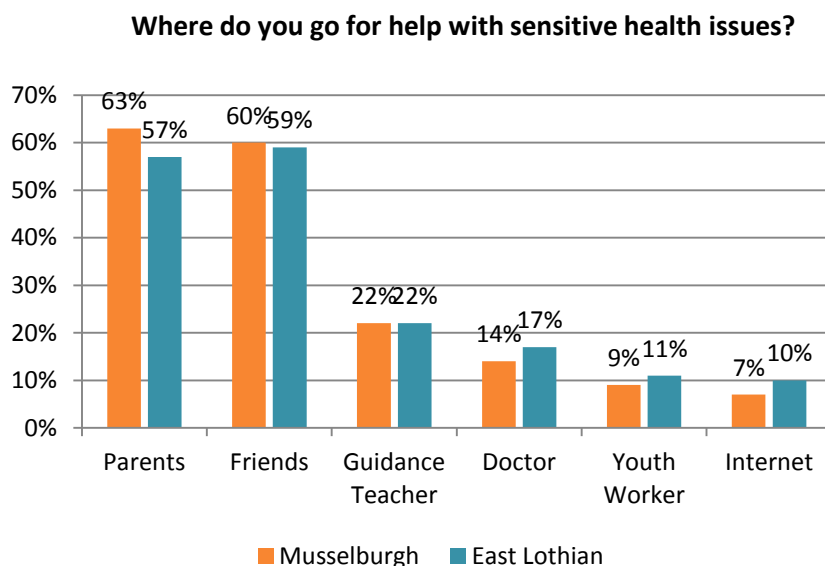
- 95% of S2 and P6 pupils across the area agreed that at school they were 'encouraged to live a healthy life'
- 77% also reported that they were 'able to get information about health services in East Lothian', compared to 83% across East Lothian.

As part of developing the East Lothian Youth Vision young people across Musselburgh were asked - 'what would help to improve your health?'

- 63% of those surveyed believed that free sports activates would improve their health
- 50% thought that more health promotion in schools would help
- 43% said that Health Drop-in Services for young people make a difference

Young people were also asked where they go for advice and information regarding health issues.

- In Musselburgh parents were the most popular choice, followed by friends and guidance teachers
- Only 7% of young people in Musselburgh said that they sought health advice and help from the internet.



(Youth Vision 2008)

Care and Social Care

According to the 2001 census:-

- 10 % of the population across the Musselburgh area provide unpaid care to a friend or family member
- 2.3% of these carers are providing more than 50 hours of care per week
- 18% of households have 1 or more carers in residence

Who is providing this care in the Musselburgh area?

- the average age of a person providing voluntary care is 48
- 2% are aged under 16
- 20% are aged 65 or over
- 60% of carers are female
- 56% are also employed

(www.scrol.gov.uk)

93 of the 272 vulnerable children either Looked After at Home, Looked After and Accommodated or otherwise on the child protection register are from the Musselburgh area.

- This is 34% of the total – significantly higher than the 25% share of the population that live in the wards
- 64 (or 24% of the total) are from Musselburgh East
- 29 (11% of the total) are from Musselburgh West

Residence prior to Placement by Ward	At Home	Foster Care	Formal Kincaire	Residential	Child Protection	TOTAL
Dunbar & East Linton	2	15	4	2	4	27
Fa'side	13	12	3	3	20	51
Haddington & Lammermuir	10	11	2	2	11	36
Musselburgh East & Carberry	16	21	7	7	13	64
Musselburgh West	2	15	2	8	2	29
North Berwick Coastal	6	4	0	0	4	14
Preston Seton Gosford	6	19	8	5	9	47
Out of area	0	2	1	0	1	4
TOTAL	55	99	27	27	64	272

Proportion of children living in Poverty

- 9 of the 20 East Lothian datazones with the highest level of child poverty are in the Musselburgh area – and 8 of those are in Musselburgh East.
- Only 2 of the 20 datazones with the lowest level of child poverty in East Lothian are in the Musselburgh area – both of these are in Musselburgh West

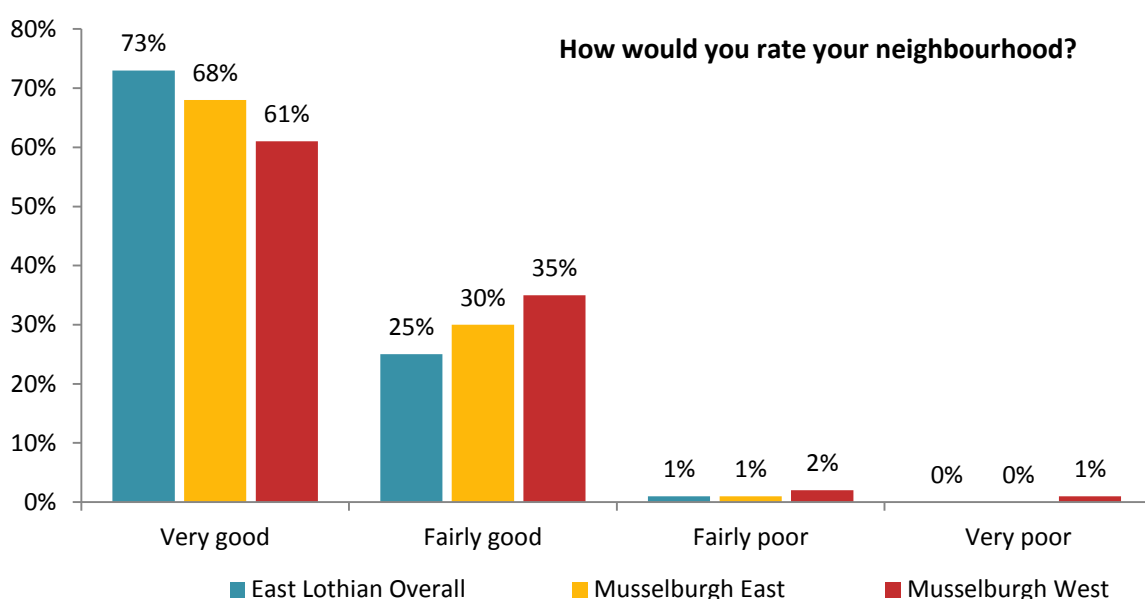
Percentage of children in poverty

	Number of datazones amongst the 20 with the Highest Rate of child poverty	Number of datazones amongst the 20 with the Lowest Rate of child poverty
Musselburgh East & Carberry	8	0
Fa'side	6	2
Preston Seton Gosford	5	4
Musselburgh West	1	2
Dunbar & East Linton	0	2
Haddington & Lammermuir	0	4
North Berwick Coastal	0	6

Neighbourhood and Place

The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) showed that 99% of people surveyed thought that East Lothian was a good place to live.

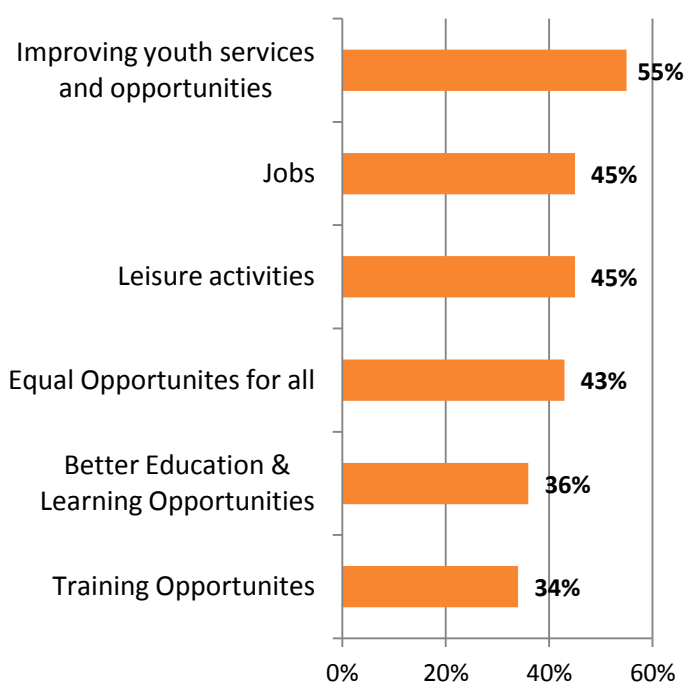
- The results were generally similar when people were asked about their own neighbourhoods
- 98% of people in Musselburgh East rated their neighbourhood as a 'fairly good' or 'very good' place to live.
- 96% of people in Musselburgh West rated their neighbourhood as a 'fairly good' or 'very good' place to live.
- In both areas however residents were more likely to rate their neighbourhood as only 'fairly good' and in Musselburgh West more residents than average rated their neighbourhood as 'fairly poor' or 'very poor'.



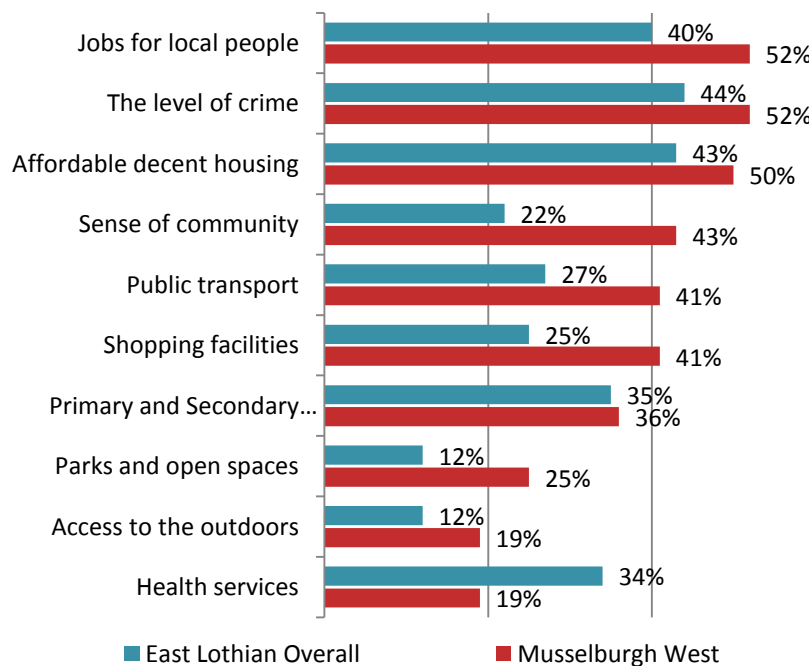
For the East Lothian Youth Vision young people were asked what things could be done to improve the quality of their life in East Lothian.

- Young people in Musselburgh were more likely to say improving youth services and opportunities was important than across East Lothian (55% vs. 47%)
- They were also more likely to say that Equal Opportunities were important (43% vs. 37%)

Other suggestions made by young people in Musselburgh included reducing the cost of leisure activities, improving public transport and more places for young people to go.



The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) asked people what was most important in making somewhere a good place to live.

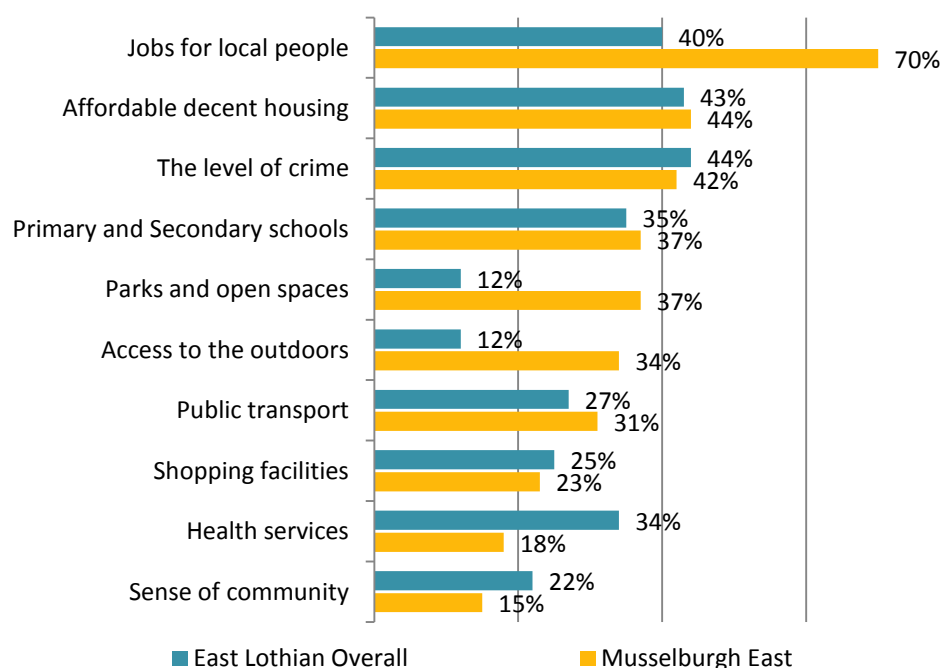


(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

- Jobs, crime levels and the availability of affordable, decent housing were the most important issues for people in Musselburgh West – all rated as more important there than across East Lothian as a whole
- The importance of achieving a ‘Sense of Community’ was also strongly prioritised (43%), almost double the rate across East Lothian
- Public transport and shopping facilities were also given significantly more importance in this ward

In Musselburgh East the priorities were very similar.

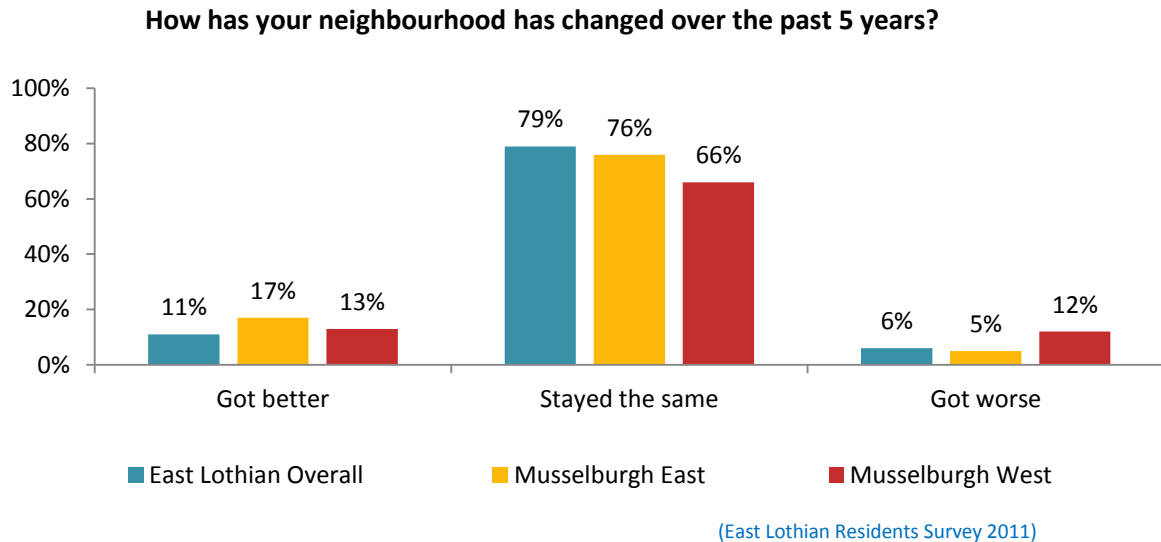
- Here however ‘Jobs for local people’ were prioritised by 70% of people, compared to 40% across East Lothian as a whole
- ‘Parks and Open spaces’ and ‘Access to the Outdoors’ were both given significantly more importance in this ward than across the rest of East Lothian – 37% and 34% respectively compared to 12% across the county



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

The survey also asked people how they thought their neighbourhood had changed:-

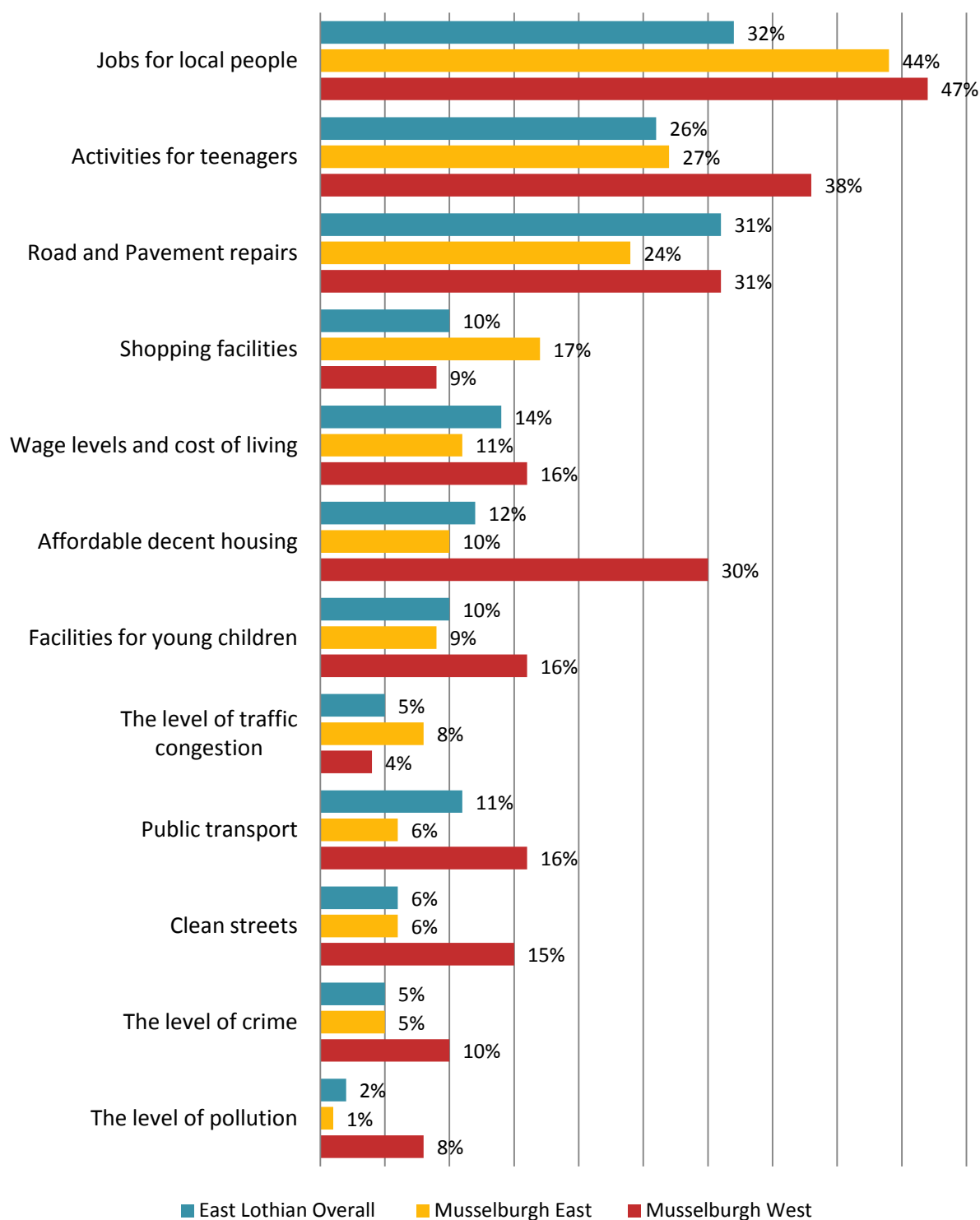
- Across both wards people were more likely to report that their neighbourhoods had got better – particularly in Musselburgh East
- Twice as many people in Musselburgh West than the rest of East Lothian thought that their neighbourhood had gotten worse over the past 5 years



It also asked 'what most needs improving' in the area. The graph below shows the top 12 things (from a list of 24) that people in the Musselburgh area thought were in need of significant improvement in their area.

- The single highest scoring improvement needed in both areas , highlighted by 47% of respondents in Musselburgh West and 44% in Musselburgh East, was the need for 'local jobs for local people'
- Activities for teenagers was also highlighted as a specific need in the area, particularly by respondents in Musselburgh West
- Other things that people in Musselburgh West rated as needing improvement more than those across the rest of the county included:
 - Affordable decent housing – 30% compared to 12%
 - Public Transport – 16% compared to 11%
 - Facilities for young children - 16% compared to 12%
 - Clean Streets – 15% compared to 6%
 - Level of Crime – 10% compared to 5%
 - Level of pollution – 8% compared to 2%
- In Musselburgh East there were only two areas of improvement given greater priority than across the rest of the county
 - Shopping facilities – 17% compared to 10%
 - Levels of traffic congestion – 8% compared to 5%

Which most needs improving in your neighbourhood?



Housing

There are 11,112 dwellings in the Musselburgh area.

- 6057 are in the Musselburgh East and Carberry ward
- 5055 in the Musselburgh West ward
- 2% of dwellings across the ward are vacant
- 0% are 2nd or holiday homes
- In Musselburgh West there is an average of 22.63 dwellings per hectare (compared to 3.17 per hectare in Musselburgh East and 0.66 per hectare across East Lothian). This makes it the ward with the highest population density in East Lothian

(2011, www.sns.gov.uk)

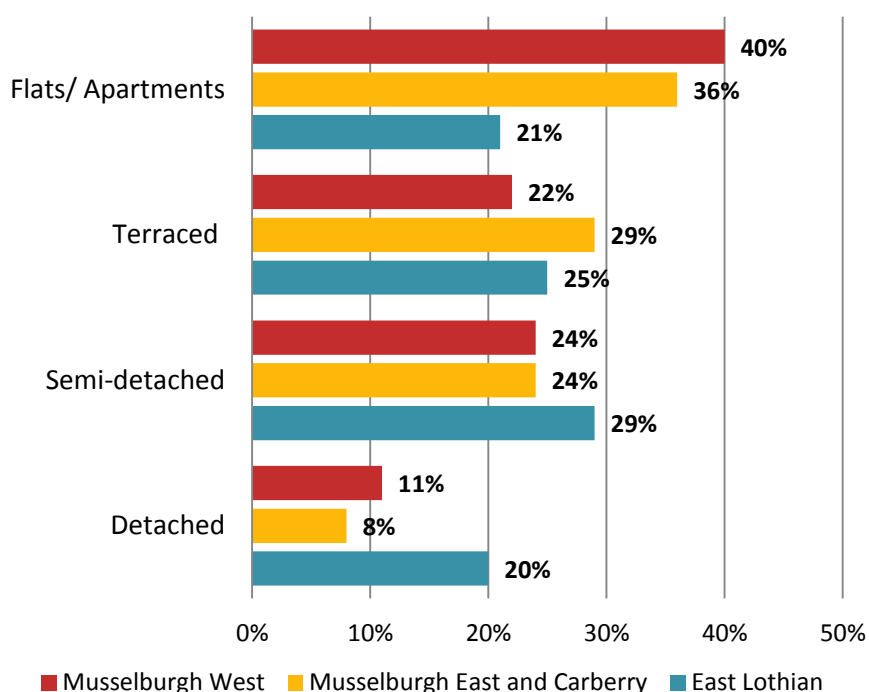
% of dwelling in by Council tax band			
	Musselburgh East	Musselburgh West	East Lothian
% dwellings in bands A-C	73%	57%	55%
% dwellings in bands D-E	19%	34%	26%
% dwellings in bands F-H	8%	9%	19%

(2011 www.sns.gov.uk)

What types of housing is most common in the Musselburgh area?

(www.scrol.gov.uk)

- Flats or apartments are the most common form of housing in the Musselburgh area, far more common that throughout East Lothian as a whole
- Within the Musselburgh area there is an average of 2.25 people living in each household - slightly below the East Lothian average of 2.33.



- The average number of rooms per dwelling is 4.5 – although in Musselburgh West more than half the dwellings have only -3 rooms.
- Musselburgh West is the most densely populated area of East Lothian – with 22.5 dwellings per hectare
- 12% of households in the Musselburgh area have too few rooms per resident - compared to 9.5% across East Lothian. There is however significant variation within the wards with overcrowding in Whitecraig, for example, reaching 16.5%
(www.scrol.gov.uk)

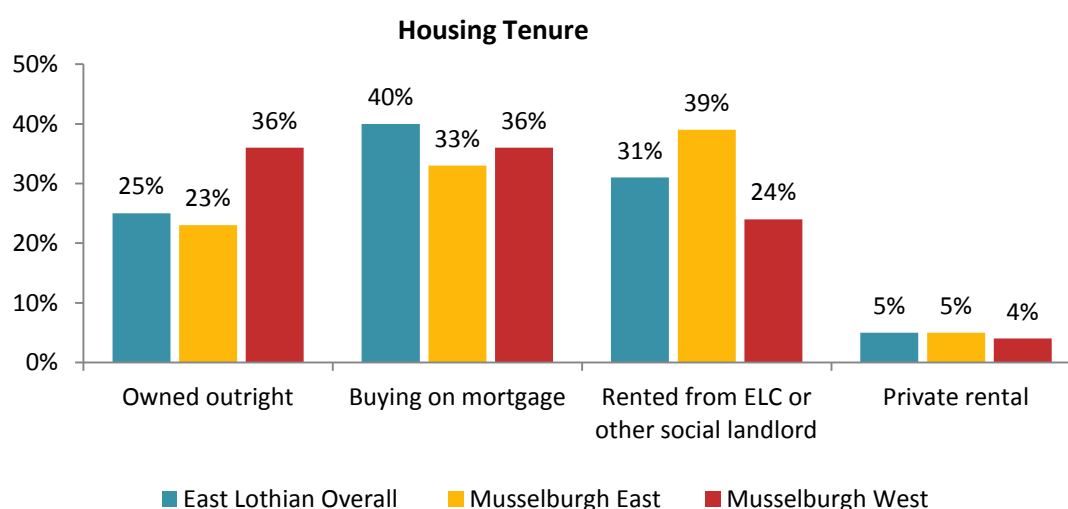
Housing Tenure

The Local Authority Housing Bulletin September 2012 reported that:-

- There were 147 homes bought/sold in East Lothian in July 2012– this is 28.9% lower than the number sold 1 year previously
- The average house price in East Lothian July 2012 was £221 312 – 10% lower than 1 year previously
- The average house price in East Lothian however remains 37% higher than Scottish average
- The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) showed that 20% of people across the Musselburgh area think that access to ‘affordable, decent housing’ needs to be improved (compared to 12% across East Lothian as a whole).

Across the Musselburgh East and West ward patterns of tenure are similar to East Lothian as a whole however

- In Musselburgh East significantly more people are renting from East Lothian Council or other social landlords – 39%
- In Musselburgh West 36% report owning their own homes outright



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

Council Housing

In March 2012 East Lothian Council had 2362 council homes in the Musselburgh Area:-

- 1863 in Musselburgh
- 307 in Wallyford
- 177 in Whitecraig
- 15 in Old Craighall

This represents 28% of the total East Lothian Council housing stock at this time.

The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) showed that in Musselburgh East and West wards 63% of residents who had used the Council's Housing Repairs Service stated that they were satisfied with the service.

Housing Association Homes

East Lothian Council's website provides information on the total number of Housing Association stock available across the county. At the beginning of 2013 this stood at 1985 dwellings.

Of these 548 (28%) are in the Musselburgh East and West wards,

- 347 in Musselburgh town
- 158 in Wallyford
- 43 in Whitecraig

Homelessness

2% (or 935 households) in East Lothian experienced homelessness in 2010/11. 63% of applicants were found to be in 'priority need' meaning that they have the right to permanent accommodation provided they weren't intentionally homeless. The most common reasons for homelessness across East Lothian are 'relationship breakdown' and being 'asked to leave'.

- As of the 31st March 2011, 258 households were in temporary accommodation across the ward. This included 116 children.

Under section 11 of the Homelessness etc (Scotland) Act 2003 housing providers and creditors have a responsibility to notify Local Authority homelessness services of households at risk of homelessness due to eviction so that, where possible, homelessness can be prevented. In 2010/11, 25 landlords and 219 creditors across East Lothian gave notice of potential evictions.

A question about homelessness featured in the East Lothian Residents Survey (2011).

- In the Musselburgh East and West ward 3% of respondents reported that it was a 'very serious' problem in their area (compared to 7% across the county)
- This survey also showed that 50% of those within the Musselburgh East and West who had used homelessness services, were satisfied with the services they received.

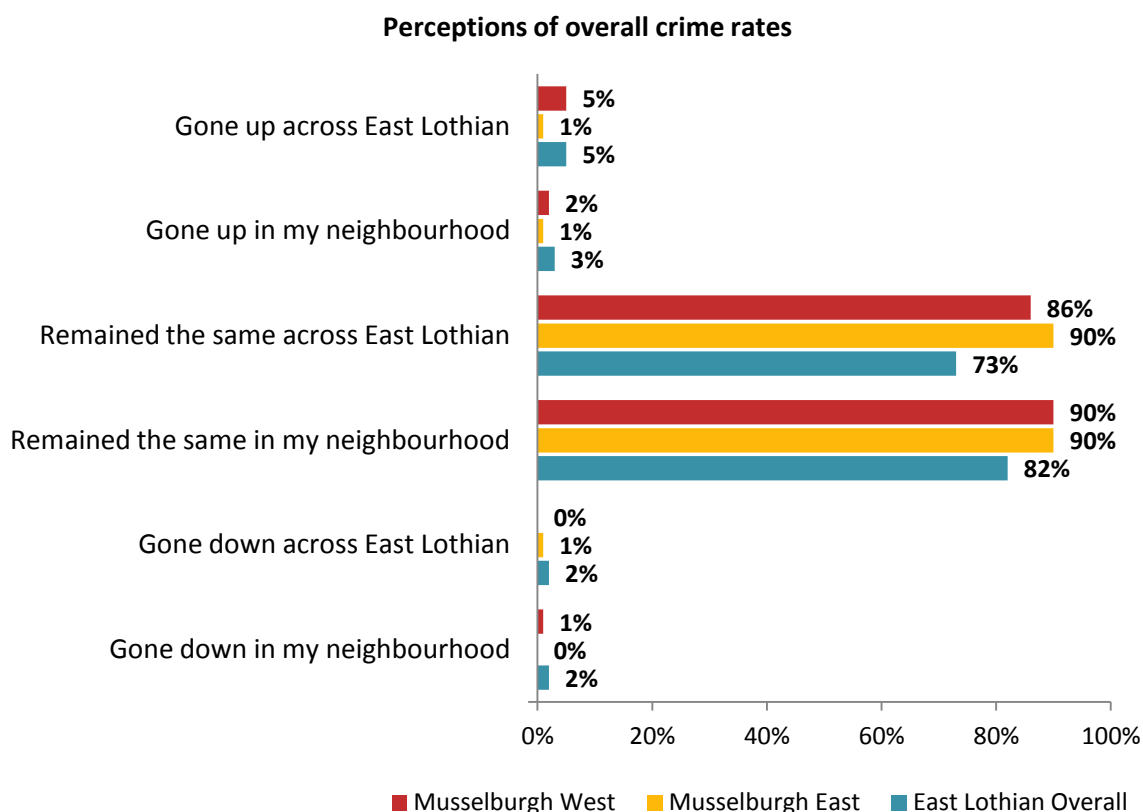
Crime and Safety

East Lothian is a relatively safe place to live, with levels of serious crime and disorder that are significantly below the Scottish average.

However crime, anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime can undermine community cohesion and has an impact upon local people's quality of life.

How do people think crime rates have changed?

The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) asked residents how they thought crime rates had changed in their neighbourhood and across East Lothian.



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

- Very few residents across the Musselburgh area felt that crime had gone up – either across East Lothian or in their own neighbourhoods
- Overwhelmingly people from both wards felt that levels of crime had remained stable in their neighbourhoods and also across East Lothian as a whole
- Elsewhere in the survey respondents were asked whether they felt crimes against property or individuals were a serious problem in their area. In Musselburgh West respondents were marginally more likely to report that these were a 'quite serious problem' in their area.
- They were also more likely to report that 'drug-taking' was a serious or very serious problem in their area (8% compared to 4% in Musselburgh East) although less likely to report that 'alcohol abuse/misuse' was a serious problem (6% compared to 10% in Musselburgh East)

Do crime rates vary across the area?

Across East Lothian there are communities that do experience a higher than average volume of crime and anti-social behaviour particularly within more deprived areas and in town centres.

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) has identified 11 small areas in East Lothian (known as data zones) that have higher levels of specific crimes, including crimes of violence, drug offences, domestic house breaking, minor assault and vandalism.

- Of these 3 are in Musselburgh East:
 - an area to the west of the High St falls into the “5-10% most deprived” category;
 - an area to the East of the High St towards Pinkie, falls into the “10-15% most deprived” category;
 - a further area towards Wallyford also falls into the “10-15% most deprived” category.
- There is also 1 area within Musselburgh West, around North High St and Bridge St, that falls within the “10-15% most deprived” in Scotland.

How many crimes are reported in each area?

Lothian and Borders Police regularly publish the number of crimes reported in each area, organised in 5 groups. The table below shows the number of crimes:-

- reported in each area
- how many crimes are reported for every 10,000 people living in each area
- and whether the number of reported crimes has gone up or down compared to the previous year

	East Lothian 2011/ 2012			Musselburgh East 2011/ 2012			Musselburgh West 2011/ 2012		
	Number of reported crimes	Crimes / 10,000 people	% change from 2010/11	Number of reported crimes	Crimes / 10,000 people	% change from 2010/11	Number of reported crimes	Crimes / 10,000 people	% change from 2010/11
<u>Group 1:</u> Crimes of Violence	98	10	↓ 29%	12	9	↓ 57%	19	19	↓ 24%
<u>Group 2:</u> Sexual Crimes	95	10	↓ 34%	14	10	↓ 40%	9	9	↓ 44%
<u>Group 3:</u> Crimes of Theft / Dishonesty	1940	198	↓ 4%	231	165	↓ 7%	509	503	↑ 33%
<u>Group 4:</u> Vandalism, Fire raising, malicious mischief	1057	108	↓ 15%	140	100	↓ 14%	215	212	↓ 6%

	East Lothian 2011/ 2012			Musselburgh East 2011/ 2012			Musselburgh West 2011/ 2012		
	Number of reported crimes	Crimes / 10,000 people	% change from 2010/11	Number of reported crimes	Crimes / 10,000 people	% change from 2010/11	Number of reported crimes	Crimes / 10,000 people	% change from 2010/11
Group 5: Other Crimes – including Drug Related Crimes and offensive weapons	666	68	↓ 39%	94	67	↓ 52%	153	151	↓ 42%
TOTAL	3856	394	↓ 15%	491	351	↓ 24%	905	894	↓ 1%

(from Lothian and Borders Police - Measuring our Performance, March 2012)

This Lothian and Borders Police publication shows that for most categories of crime the rate of reported incidences is dropping across the county.

- The exception is 'sexual crimes' - here there has been a 34% increase across East Lothian in reported crimes from 2010/11.
- At the same time 'crimes involving theft/ dishonesty' have increased significantly by 33% in Musselburgh West.
- In Musselburgh West the rate of reported crime per 10,000 people is significantly higher than the Musselburgh East average - with nearly double the number of crimes of theft / dishonesty being recorded.

Fear of Crime

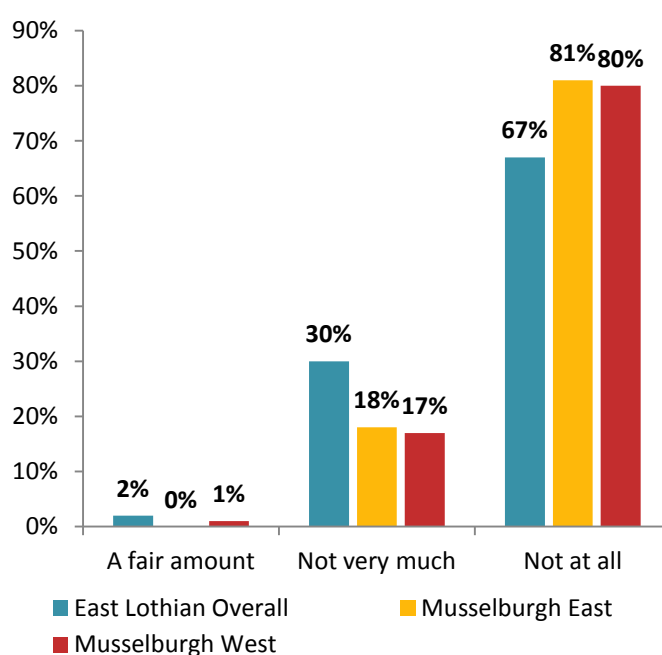
People's fear of crime does not always reflect the actual rate of crime occurring in their local areas. The East Lothian residents Survey (2011) asked residents –

To what extent do you feel threatened by crime in your neighbourhood?

These results show that:-

- Residents across Musselburgh were more likely to say that they did not feel threatened by crime at all than people across East Lothian

For the East Lothian Youth Vision Strategy young people across East Lothian were asked about how safe they felt in their local environments. In Musselburgh 80% reported feeling safe compared to 83% across East Lothian.



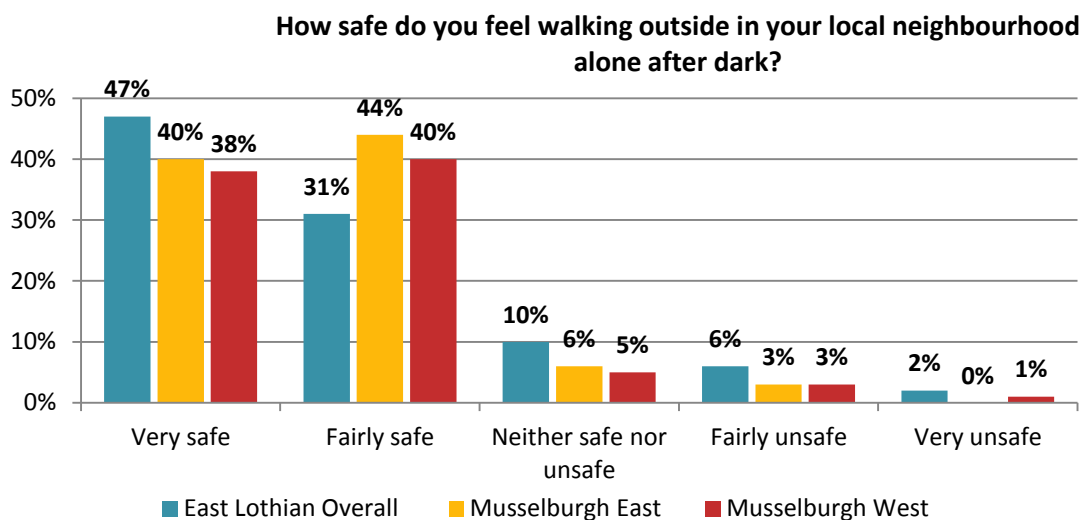
(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

Things that made young people feel unsafe in Musselburgh included:-

- Drug users - 70%
- Drunks in the street - 52%
- Walking through dark areas – 46%
- Areas which are known for being unsafe- 45%
- Groups of young people they didn't know - 40%
- Individual young people known to be bullies - 34%
- Walking through areas where they don't live - 22%
- Groups of adults they didn't know – 17%

Surveys also show that “how safe people feel in their neighbourhoods” varied significantly depending on the time of day.

- 91% in Musselburgh East and 84% in Musselburgh West reported that they felt ‘very safe’ walking alone in their neighbourhoods during the day
- Nobody in either ward stated that they felt unsafe walking in their neighbourhood during the day
- 95% of students questioned as part of the Student Evaluation of Experience Survey 2012 agreed that they felt safe in their local area during the day



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

- After dark the situation was different with only 40% of those in Musselburgh East and 38% of those in Musselburgh West reporting in the East Lothian Residents Survey that they felt ‘very safe’ walking alone
- 4% of people surveyed in Musselburgh West reported they felt ‘fairly unsafe’ or ‘very unsafe’ walking alone in their neighbourhood after dark – although across East Lothian this figure rose to 8%.
- 79% of young people agreed they felt ‘safe to go out in their local neighbourhood during the evening’, comparable with responses from across the county

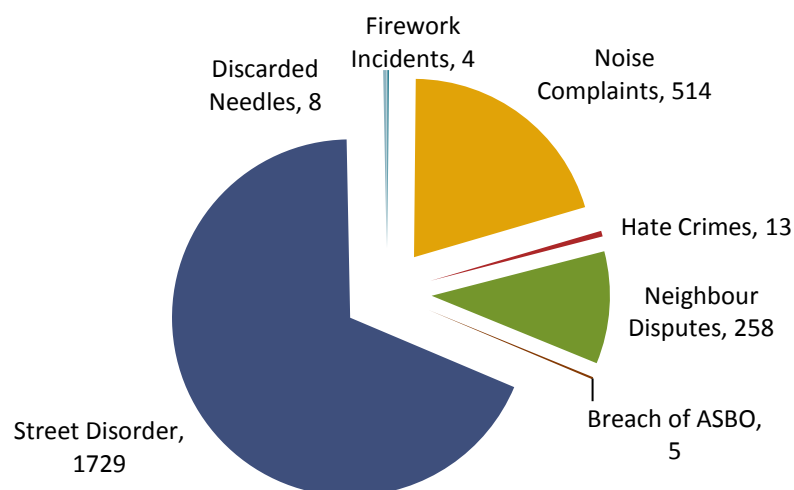
Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-social behaviour covers a range of incidents reported to the police and East Lothian Council's Anti-Social Behaviour Hotline including noise complaints, street disorder, hate crimes, snowball incidents, fly-tipping and more.

- Throughout 2012 there were 7395 anti-social behaviour incidences recorded in East Lothian
- 2531 of these (or 34%) were in the Musselburgh area
- 1729 (68%) of these incidences were classed as Street Disorder

	Musselburgh East	Musselburgh West
Noise Complaints	247	267
Firework Incidents	1	3
Hate Crimes	6	7
Breach of ASBO	2	3
Neighbour Disputes	191	67
Discarded Needles	3	5
street disorder	742	987

Lothian and Borders Police



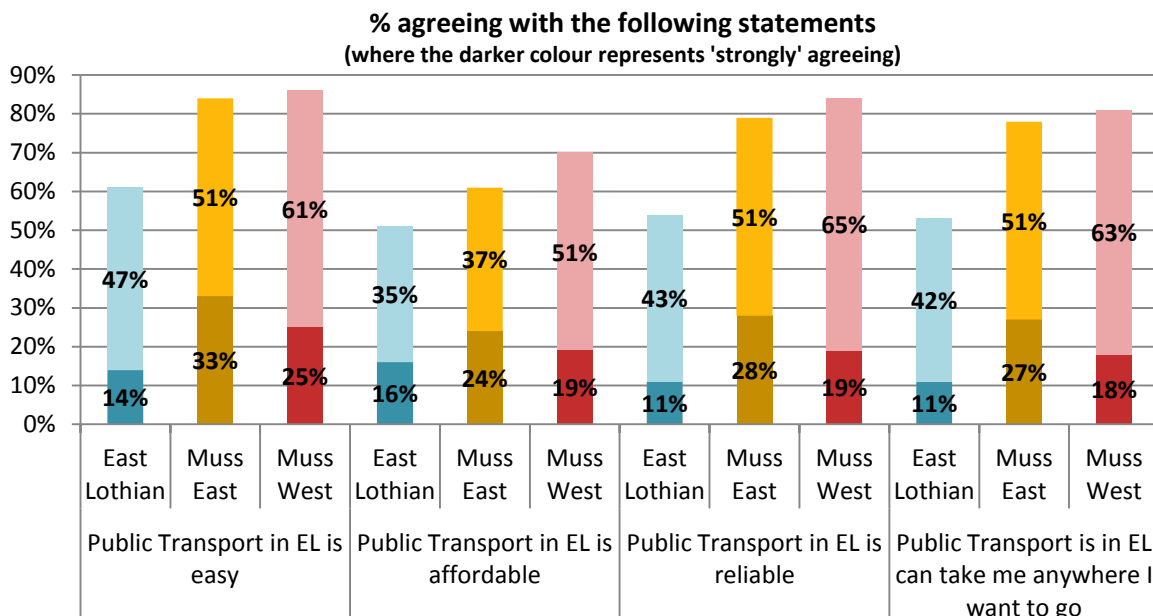
Types of Anti-social behaviour across the Musselburgh area

- Included within the category of noise complaints are noise from neighbours, vehicles, industry and licensed premises. Across the Musselburgh area 84% of all noise complaints related to noisy neighbours
- In Musselburgh West 24% of noise complaints related to vehicles (compared to only 3% in Musselburgh East)
- Neighbourhood disputes were almost 3 times as likely to be recorded in Musselburgh East than Musselburgh West (191 incidents compared to 67)
- 92% of the Hate crime incidences recorded across Musselburgh were cases involving racial hatred.

Travel and Transport

In 2011 the East Lothian Residents Survey asked people about their perceptions of public transport across East Lothian for the first time.

As the graph below demonstrates, people across the Musselburgh East and West wards were generally more satisfied with the services they received than people across East Lothian as a whole.

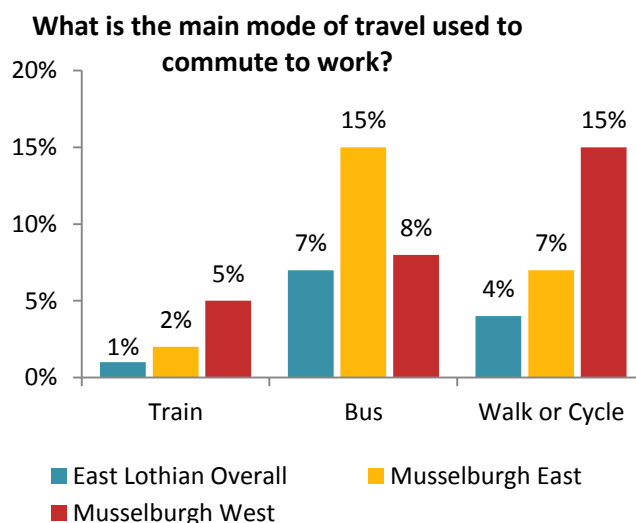


(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

- on average more than double the number of people across Musselburgh agreed with the statements that public transport was reliable, affordable, easy and could take them where they wanted to go
- In the 2012 Student Evaluation of Experience Survey 94% of P6 and S2 pupils in the ward agreed that they could access regular public transport, bus or train, where they live (compared to 88% across East Lothian)
- 90% also agreed that they could afford to use public transport in East Lothian

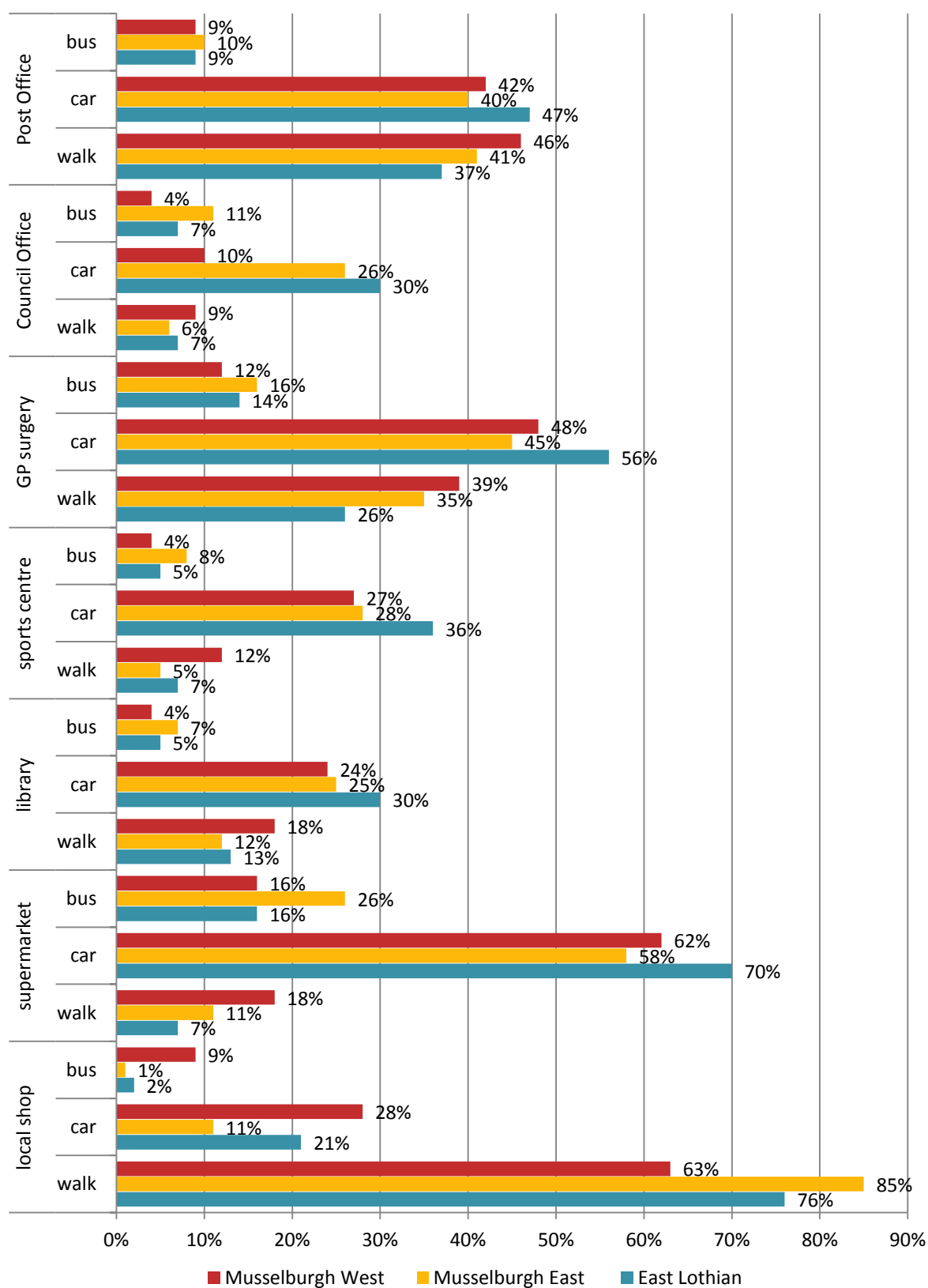
Respondents were also asked about their main mode of travel to commute to work.

Despite the high opinions of public transport recorded above the majority reported mainly using the car to travel to work - 73% in Musselburgh East and 68% in Musselburgh West. This was however still significantly below the overall rate of 84% of people across East Lothian who mainly use the car to commute to work.



(East Lothian Household Survey 2011)

Elsewhere in the same survey people were also asked how they 'usually travel' to a range of other common locations.



- Respondents across the Musselburgh East and West wards appear consistently more likely to walk to local services than others across East Lothian
- they were also more likely to use the bus for a range of common local trips.

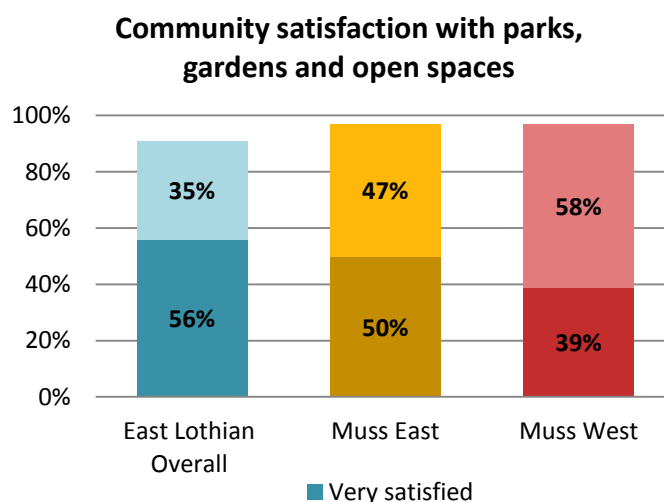
The Environment

East Lothian has a range of public open/green spaces including coastal and countryside sites, woodlands, parks, amenity open spaces, green corridors, village greens, play areas, school grounds and civic spaces.

The quality of the local environment

The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) found that people across East Lothian are generally satisfied with the parks and open spaces in their communities.

- results from across the Musselburgh area are generally higher than those for East Lothian overall
- people were however less likely to say they were 'very satisfied', particularly in Musselburgh West
- in the same survey 5% of people from the Musselburgh East and West wards thought that pollution was an issue that needed to be addressed in their area (compared with 2% of people across East Lothian).



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

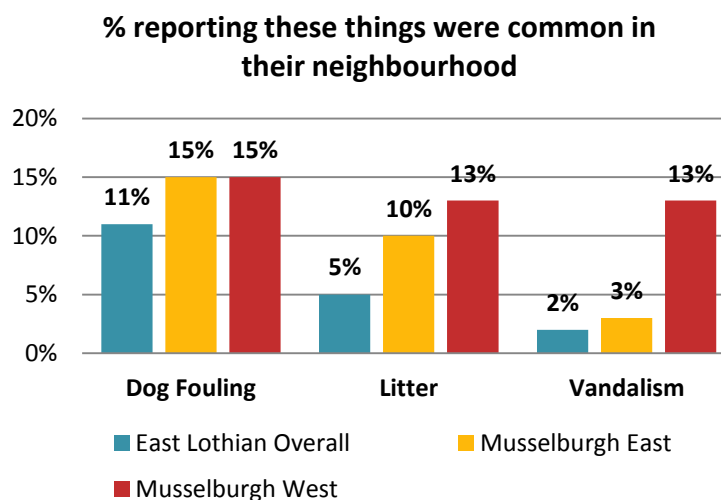
Ambient air quality across the wards is worse overall than East Lothian averages. Indicators of air quality include:-

- NO₂ (Nitrogen Dioxide) concentration / m³. For this indicator the concentration in the Musselburgh East ward was 15.8 micrograms / m³ and 16.5 micrograms / m³ in Musselburgh West in 2002-4 (compared to an East Lothian average concentration of 11.5)
- PM₁₀ concentration / m³ (particle pollution generally caused by diesel combustion, construction, mining and quarrying). Here the concentration was 14 micrograms / m³ in Musselburgh West and 13.9 micrograms / m³ in Musselburgh East compared to 13.1 micrograms / m³ across East Lothian.

At a neighbourhood level however environmental quality concerns – like dog fouling, litter, graffiti, abandoned vehicles, and noise nuisance - affect people's perceptions of their environment.

The East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) asked residents which environmental complaints were common or very common in their neighbourhoods.

The results, in the graph right,



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

show that respondents in the Musselburgh West ward felt that all of the listed environmental complaints were more common in their area than across East Lothian as a whole.

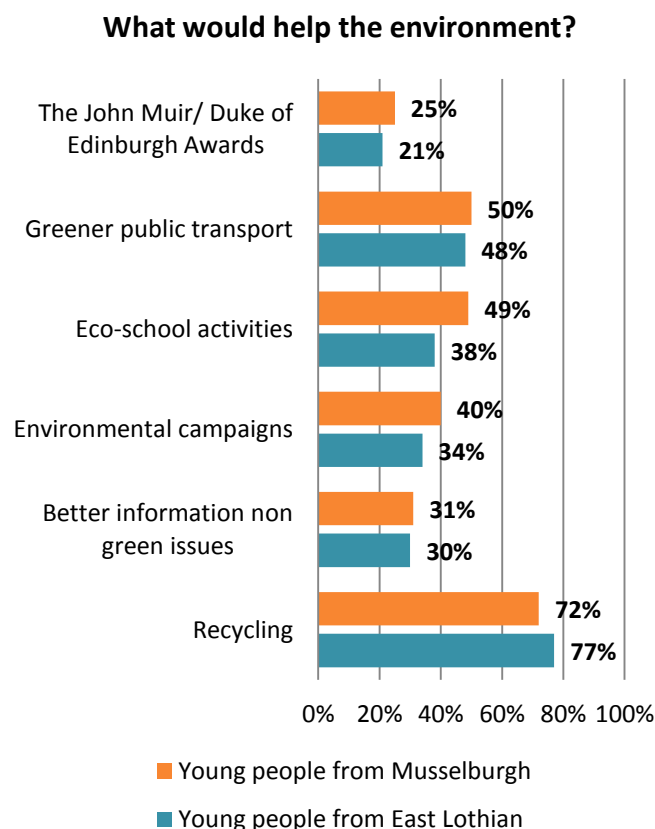
- This was particularly true in relation to perceptions of vandalism in Musselburgh West

Young People and the Environment

While preparing East Lothian Youth Vision in 2008 young people across the County were surveyed on a number of issues including what they thought could help the environment. The results are shown to the right.

Young people completing the Student Evaluation of experience Survey 2012 were asked if they knew how to care for the environment.

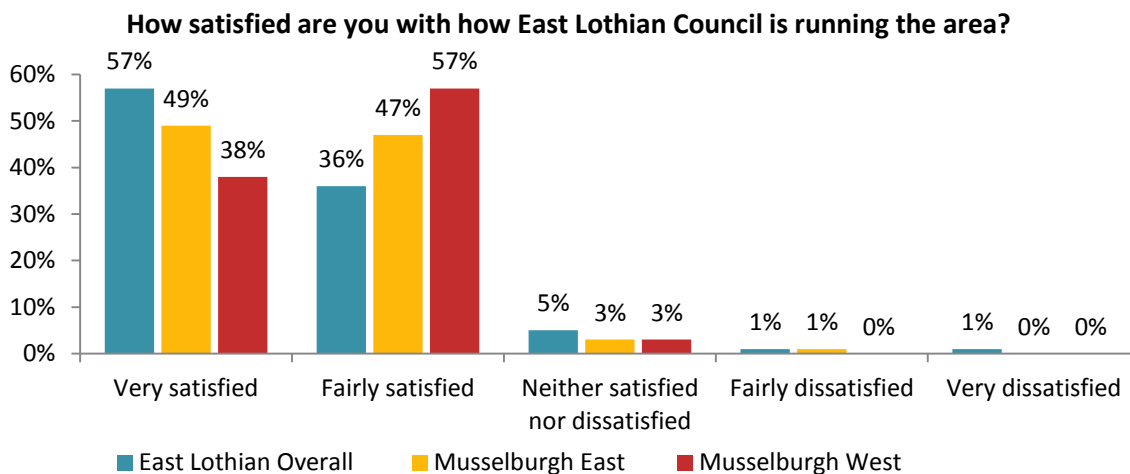
- 94% agreed that they could give an example of how they care for the environment
- 48% agreed they have opportunities to get involved with environmental issues in their local neighbourhood



Perceptions of East Lothian Council and Satisfaction with Services

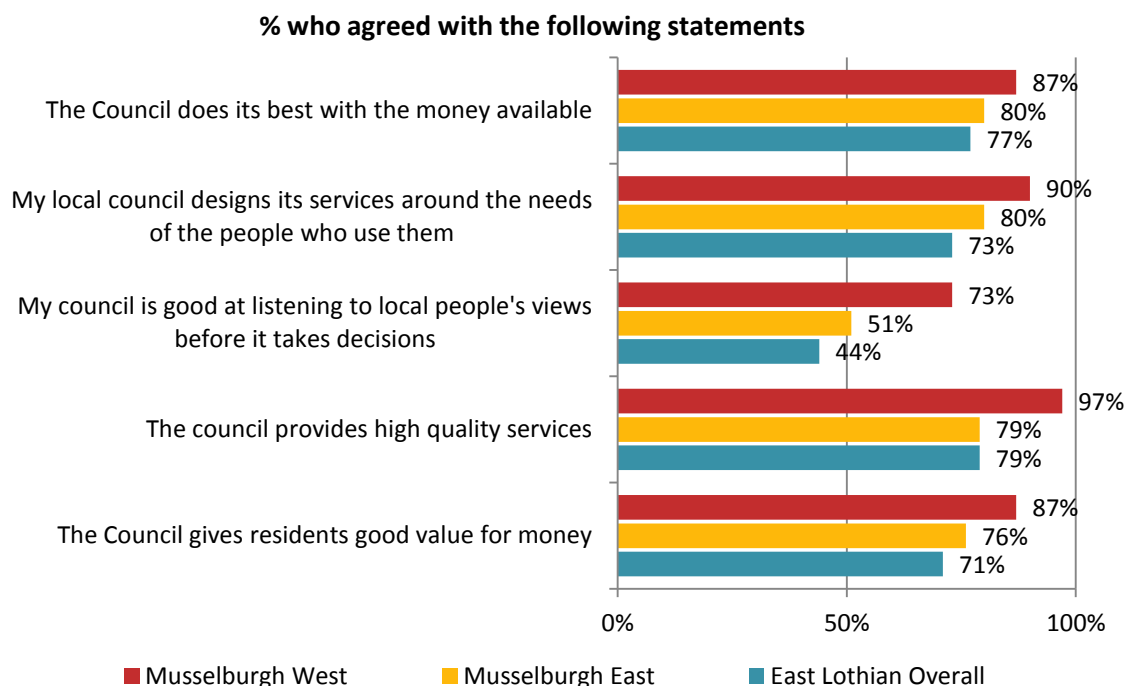
East Lothian Council is the principle service provider within the county – with a responsibility for providing many of the services and facilities residents rely on in their daily lives.

As part of the East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) people were therefore asked how they felt East Lothian Council was doing in their area.



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

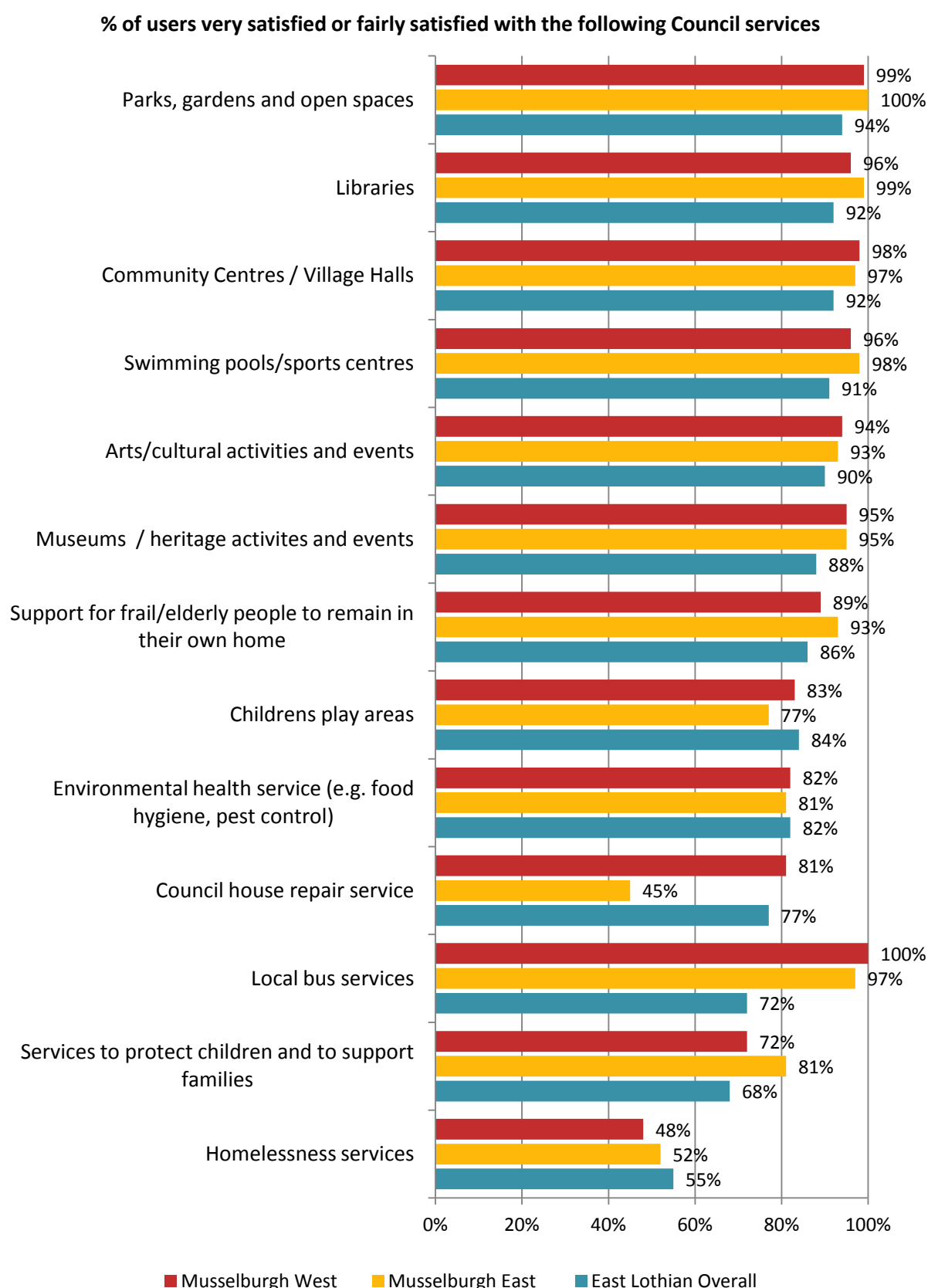
- 96% of respondents in Musselburgh East and 95% in Musselburgh West reported that they were either 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with the way East Lothian Council was running the area, although in these wards respondents were significantly less likely to say they were 'very satisfied' than overall



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

Across the Musselburgh area people were generally more likely to report positive assessments of the council's performance than across East Lothian as a whole

The survey also asked people about their level of satisfaction with the East Lothian Council Services they used.



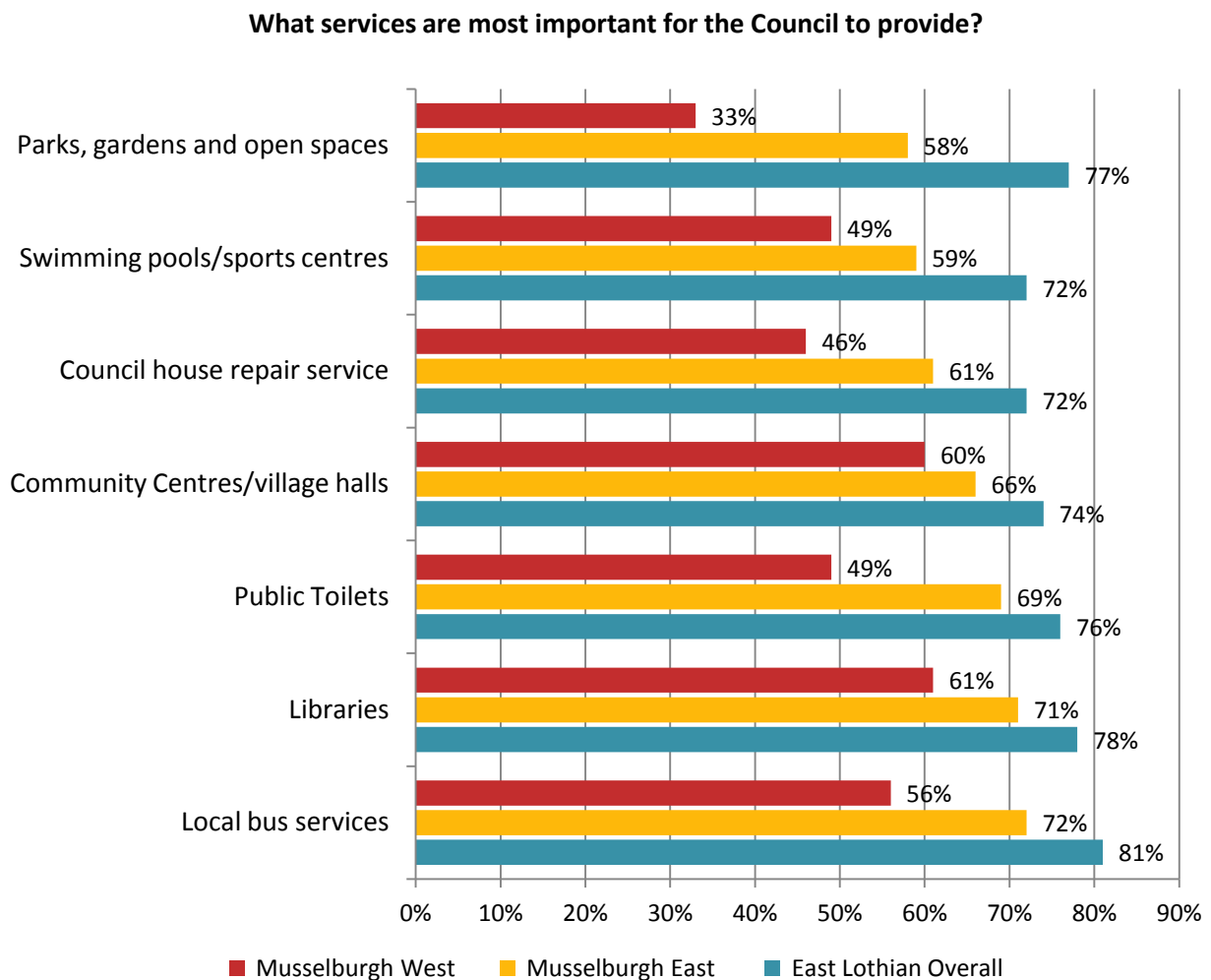
(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

Overall residents in the Musselburgh area expressed higher levels of satisfaction with services than those across East Lothian as a whole.

As part of the same survey people were asked what services they thought were most important for the Council to provide for communities.

The graph below shows those services prioritised by more than 50% of respondents in either of the wards.

- In all cases people across the Musselburgh area gave a lower priority to each service than was given across the county



(East Lothian Residents Survey 2011)

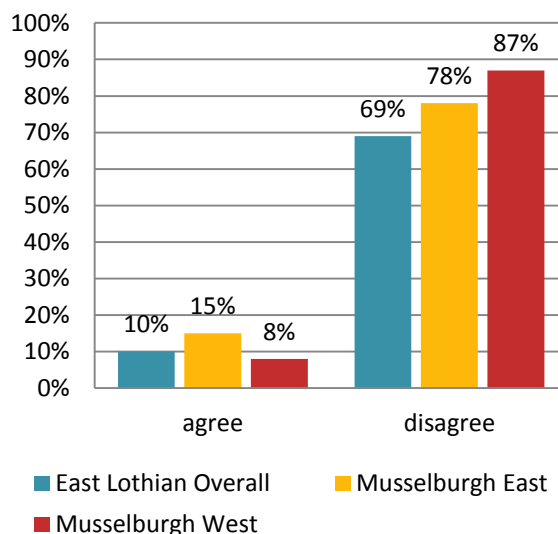
Community and Participation

The results of the East Lothian Residents Survey (2011) show that 'a sense of community' is important to the people of the Musselburgh area.

- Across the Musselburgh wards 29% of people rated 'a sense of community' as one of the most important factors in making an area good place to live – with this figure peaking at 43% in Musselburgh West
- An average of only 7% across the area reported that they could influence decisions affecting their local area (with 58% in Musselburgh West and 42% in Musselburgh East reporting that they 'don't know')

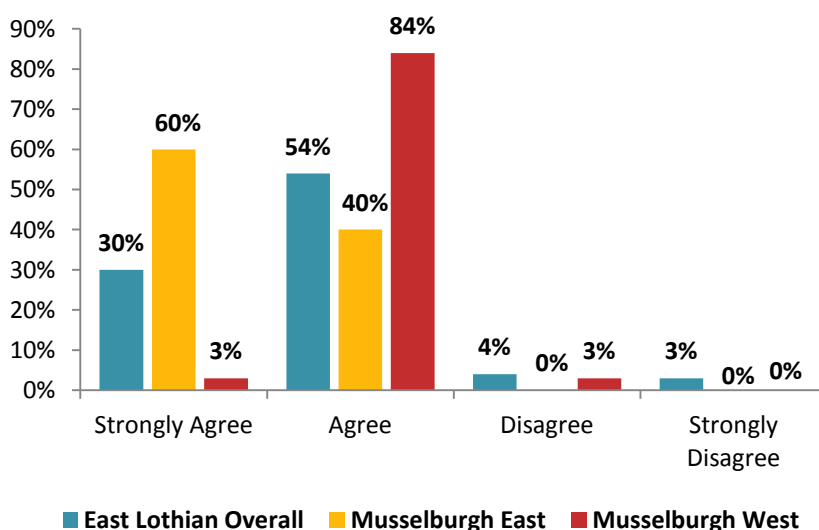
The same survey showed that that 9% of people in Musselburgh had volunteered within their communities over the past 12 months (although the actual figure is likely to be much higher as people do not always associate their participation in groups / campaigns etc as 'volunteering'). This compares to 14% across East Lothian.

I would like to be more involved in the decisions my council make that affect my local area



- The most popular types of volunteering were with: -
 - church groups
 - children's activities both in and outside school
 - hobbies, arts and social clubs

Do you agree that your neighbourhood could assist in responding to extreme weather events?

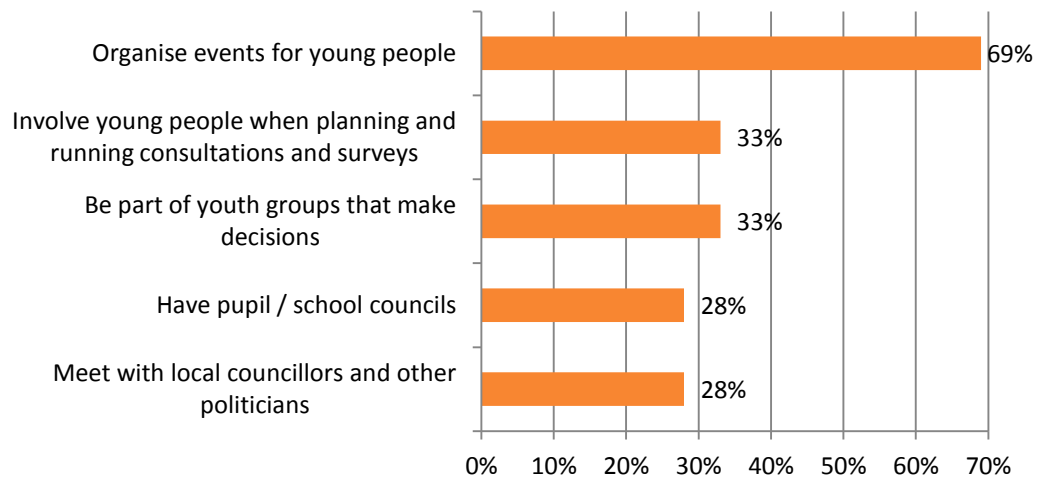


Despite both the graph above, and proportionally low levels of volunteering in the area, suggesting that most people do not want to become more involved in their communities the respondents to the survey seemed generally willing to help in their local areas to address specific needs eg. extreme weather events.

Involving Young People

- 79% of P6 and S2 pupils across the area agreed that they could contribute to how decisions are made in schools in the Student Evaluation of Experience Survey 2012.
- 73% also agreed that young people's views are listened to

As part of developing the East Lothian Youth Vision Strategy young people were asked what were the best ways to ensure that young people had a chance to contribute to decisions that affect them more broadly.



The graph above shows what young people in Musselburgh thought were the best ways to do this. Other suggestions they made included using the media, through text messaging, through the internet