

Musselburgh Town Centre Strategy Consultation Questionnaire

The following questions relate to the Draft Musselburgh Town Centre Strategy and Action Plan.

It is suggested that you read through the Draft Musselburgh Town Centre Strategy (either the full version or the Consultation Summary) before completing this questionnaire.

You don't have to fill in all the questions - if there are questions you do not wish to answer please leave them blank.

You can hand your completed questionnaire into any of the following places:

Brunton Hall (Musselburgh)
Musselburgh Library
Wallyford Library
Musselburgh East Community Learning Centre
John Muir House (Haddington)

Or you can post it to Policy and Projects, East Lothian Council, John Muir House, Haddington, EH41 4ER

This questionnaire can also be completed online by visiting www.eastlothianconsultations.co.uk

*** QUESTIONNAIRES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 31st JULY 2013 ***

Which of the following are you? (you can tick more than one)

- A resident of Musselburgh town centre
- A Musselburgh resident, but not living in the town centre
- Not a Musselburgh resident, but someone who uses Musselburgh town centre
- A business in Musselburgh town centre

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A number of actions are being considered in relation to TOURISM & LEISURE. Please indicate the extent to which you agree with these actions

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Encourage close working between community & businesses to market Musselburgh - including as a destination for a day out	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Carry out a review of existing heritage information and develop a town trail from the museum, guiding visitors around the history and heritage of Musselburgh	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Identify improvements to paths, including signage to the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Encourage more community and commercial events in the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please share any comments you have about the above actions (positive or negative)

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A number of actions are being considered in relation to TRANSPORT & PARKING.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree with these actions.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Introduce some short stay car parking to some car parks to increase turnover and parking availability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Review number and location of bus stops to reduce bus stop congestion and the build up of buses at a single stop	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improve traffic flow by adjustment to traffic lights in town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please share any comments you have about the above actions (positive or negative)

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A number of actions are being considered in relation to DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES. Please indicate the extent to which you agree with these actions.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Look at the potential use of the vacant Millhill Stables site (off the High Street) for either housing, employment use or parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Identify vacant properties above shops and encourage owners to bring them back into residential use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please share any comments you have about the above actions (positive or negative)

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A number of actions are being considered in relation to the BUILT ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC SPACES. Please indicate the extent to which you agree with these actions.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Prepare a 'conservation area character appraisal' - this will outline what is needed to preserve the special characteristics of the area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Encourage property owners to use a proposed colour scheme for painted buildings in the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Encourage business owners to follow planning guidance developed for businesses in the town centre - this will cover signage and alterations to shop fronts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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A number of actions are being considered in relation to certain streets / areas (see Consultation Summary for details). Please indicate the extent to which you agree with these actions.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
General tidying up of car parking areas in and around the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Planting of a small number of trees in specific street locations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Coordination of 'street furniture' (seating, lamposts, bins, bollards, etc) to improve the look of the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Development of list of 'key contacts' for people to approach about issues related to the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please share any comments you have about the above actions (positive or negative)

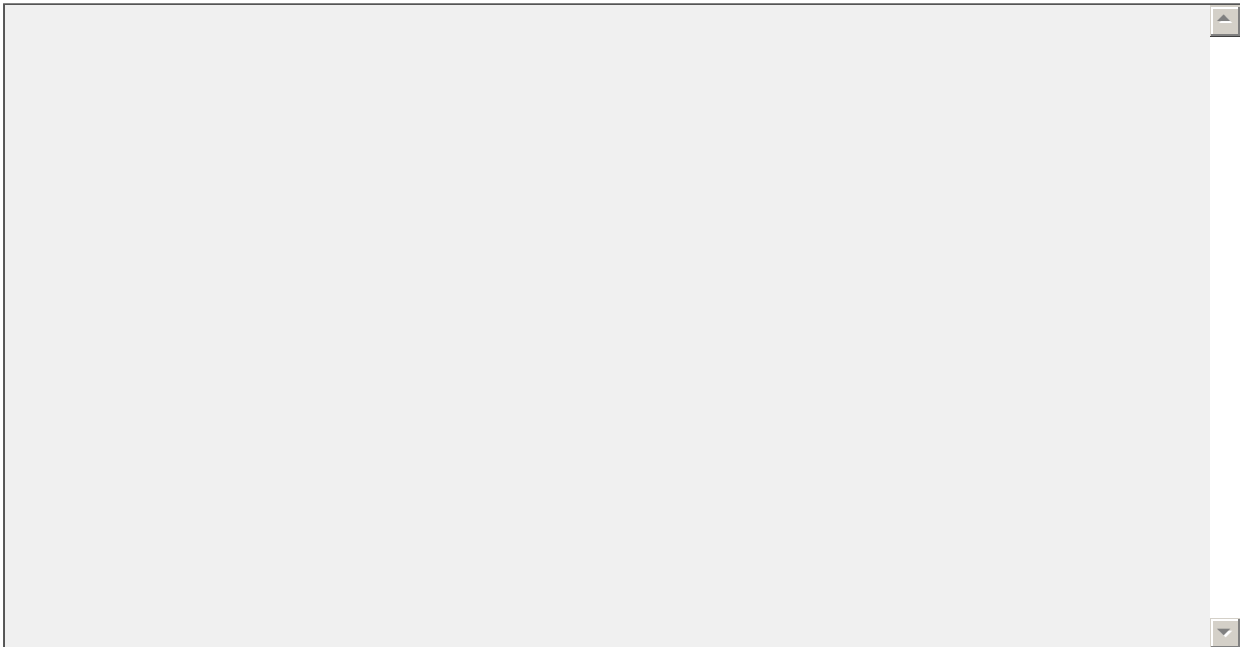
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One proposal being considered is to establish a pedestrianised civic square in the Town Hall / Tolbooth area of Musselburgh High Street, East (details are contained in the Draft Strategy). This would provide an attractive area for civic gatherings, community events, markets, etc.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree with this action

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Please share any comments you may have about this action (positive or negative)

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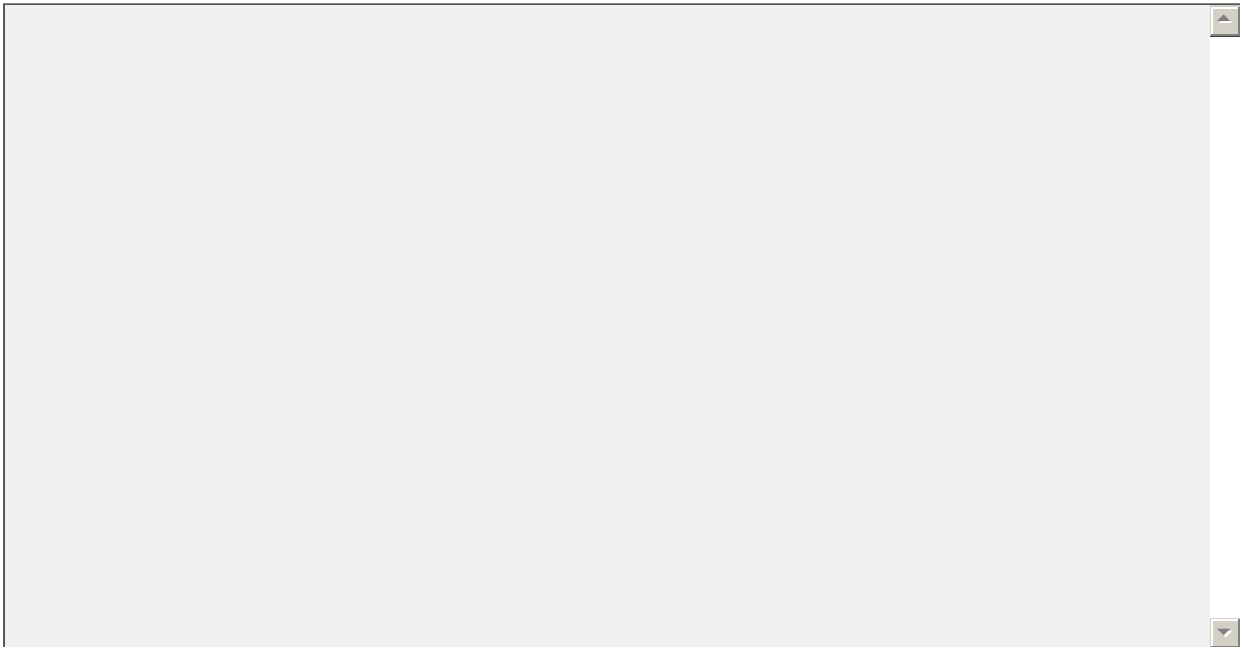
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The Brunton Hall had a £3.7 million internal makeover in 2012. The area outside Brunton Hall could now potentially benefit from environmental improvements. This could involve repaving in more attractive materials, a ramped access to the theatre, artwork and new street furniture (e.g. bus shelter, bollards, seating).

Please indicate the extent you agree with this suggested action

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Please share any comments you may have about this proposal (positive or negative)

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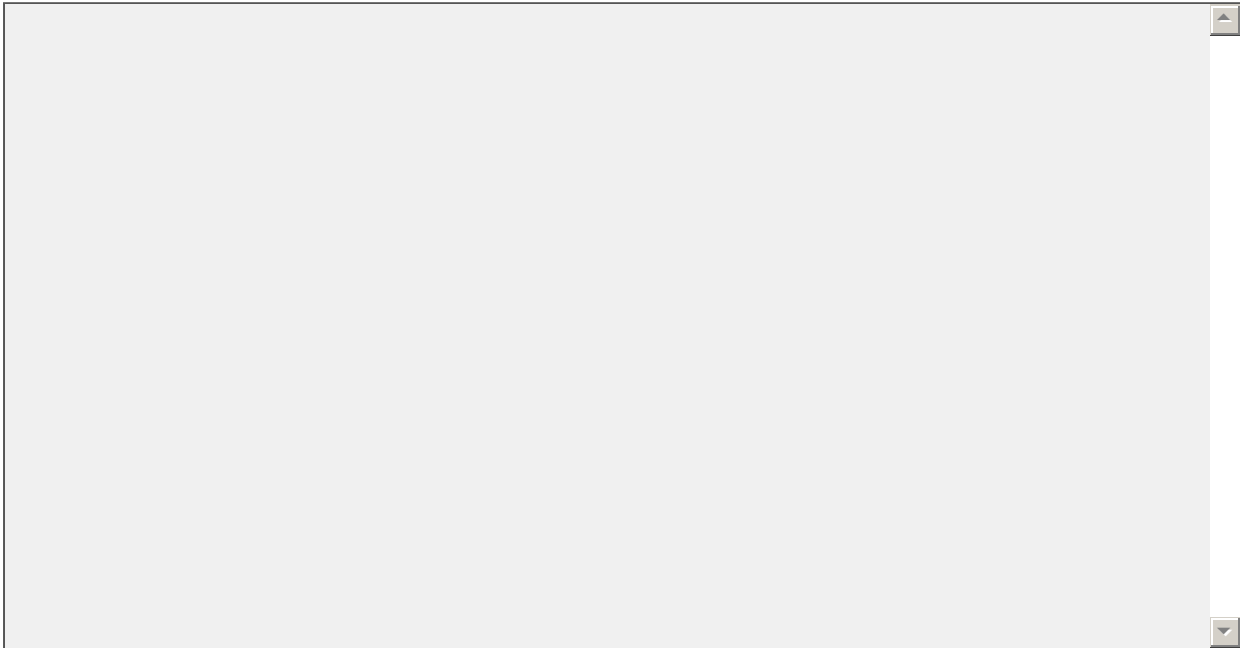
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Another suggested action is to re-brand the North High Street as either 'Fisherrow High Street' or 'High Street, Fisherrow'.

Please indicate the extent you agree with this proposal

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Please share any comments you may have about this action (positive or negative)



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We have looked at potential costs for some of the Strategy actions that the Council would be responsible for.

Please select up to 3 actions that you think would be MOST IMPORTANT TO IMPROVING Musselburgh town centre.

- Improve heritage information available to visitors and develop new town trails - £20,000
- Changes to town centre car parks to increase turnover of spaces - £20,000
- High Street (Tolbooth/Town Hall area) - environmental improvements to create a pedestrian area and move parking - £700,000-£900,000
- High Street (Kilwinning Place to Rennie Bridge) - environmental improvements - £50,000
- Bridge St - environmental improvements to street and war memorial area, including better access to riverside - £15,000
- Landscape the area outside Brunton Hall - up to £600,000
- North High St - environmental improvements including rebranding as Fisherrow - £25,000
- Shorthorpe Street - environmental improvements including to the car parks - £30,000

Please select up to 3 actions that you think would be of MOST BENEFIT TO THE ECONOMY of Musselburgh town centre.

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What impact do you think implementing the Action Plan would have? (please indicate how much you agree / disagree with the following statements)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Local residents would be more likely to use the town centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More visitors would be encouraged to come to Musselburgh	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The economy of the town centre would benefit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More people would be attracted to Musselburgh as a place to live	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you have any other comments in relation to the Draft Strategy / Action Plan or are there any actions not specified in the strategy that you would like to see being taken to improve Musselburgh town centre?

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Thank you for taking the time to share your views. Feedback on this consultation will be available in August by visiting www.eastlothianconsultations.co.uk

If you would like a copy of the consultation feedback report sent to you, please provide your home address or email address in the box below (addresses will not be used for any purpose other than sending feedback).

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