

Aberdeenshire Local Housing Strategy 2018-2023

Local Housing Strategy 2018-2023: Outcomes and Achievements

Aberdeenshire Local Housing Strategy (LHS) 2023 -2028 builds on the strong foundations and positive outcomes delivered by the 2018-2023 LHS. The key outcomes which were achieved over the last five years are outlined below. They help to demonstrate the progress made in delivering the priorities and actions set out in the Aberdeenshire Local Housing Strategy 2018 – 2023. Covid-19 had an impact on targets and outcomes of priorities, but in the main targets were reached

LHS outcomes from 2018 to 2022.

Minority Ethnic Communities (Gypsy/Traveller Focussed)

- A new Gypsy/Traveller Site Provision Strategy 2021-2026 was agreed by the Gypsy/Traveller Sub-Committee in November 2021. This prioritised new provision in central Aberdeenshire and enhancements to the facilities to one of the existing Travellers' sites. Efforts continue to try to identify land for Gypsy/Traveller sites in addition to those identified in the Local Development Plan.
- Adherence to the Code of Conduct has been consistently high, exceeding targets, with Travellers reporting that they feel safe in Aberdeenshire.
- Two additional planning applications were granted for private sites in South and North Aberdeenshire in 2021/2022. Other planning applications are in process, with applicants being assisted by the dedicated Gypsy/Traveller Liaison Officer.