



Health and Housing  
*Local strategies and  
opportunities for  
engagement*

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# Context

- ❑ Colleagues from both sectors should seek public health representation in key strategic forums and planning processes, in order to maximise the potential contribution of good housing to improving health and reducing inequalities.
- ❑ Public health teams should also consider the contribution good housing can make to local priority areas identified through Community Planning, and how this contribution can be embedded into Local Outcome Improvement Plans and locality plans.

Scottish Public Health Network (2017). Foundations for well-being: reconnecting public health and housing. A Practical Guide. Scottish Public Health Network; January 2017



To support achievement of the ScotPHN's recommendation we have produced:

- Housing Strategies Briefing Paper
- Local authority housing strategies dataset

[www.healthscotland.scot/health-inequalities/impact-of-social-and-physical-environments/housing](http://www.healthscotland.scot/health-inequalities/impact-of-social-and-physical-environments/housing)

# Housing Strategies Briefing Paper

- Housing Need and Demand Assessments (HNDAs)
  - Housing Supply Targets (HSTs)
  - Local Housing Strategies (LHSs)
  - Strategic Housing Investment Plans (SHIPs)
  - Housing Contribution Statements (HCSs)
- Provides an overview of the housing strategies or plans that Local Authorities produce
  - Highlights opportunities for public health to engage in order to maximise the contribution that these plans and strategies can make to good health and reduced health inequalities

# Local authority housing strategies dataset

A searchable database of Local Authority strategies and plans.

Contains details of strategies and plans published by each Local Authority as of August 2018 including:

- Local Development Plan
- Local Housing Strategy
- Strategic Housing Investment Plan

Search returns include:

- Dates the strategies and plans cover
- Links to each plan and strategy
- Whether the LA is part of a Strategic Development Planning Authority
- Which NHS Board operates in the LA area