

Keighley – Overview of Shortlisted Priorities and Emerging Themes

Better Skills, More Good Jobs and a Growing Economy

Reduce levels of unemployment and at risk employees as a result of Covid-19 (Keighley Central ward)
Improve employment opportunities for young people within locality, including more apprenticeships (Locality wide)
Improve access to upskilling and retraining opportunities (Keighley West, Keighley Central and Keighley East wards)

Decent Homes

Improve and maintain the quality private rented and social housing and empower tenants to address issues (Locality wide)
Improve house accessibility to enable more independent living for older people and people with disabilities (Locality wide)
Further priorities to be determined

Better Health, Better Lives

Reduce levels of children and adults who are overweight or obese (Locality wide)
Reduce levels of food poverty, and ensure children and families have access to healthy and affordable food (Locality wide)
Increase life expectancy of women (Keighley Central)
Improve mental health and wellbeing (Locality wide, with opportunity to focus on Keighley West)

Good Start, Great Schools

- Improve levels of development for children at Early Years Foundation Stage, 0-5 y/o. (Keighley Central ward)
- Enhance partnership working and communication between all schools and colleges and with wider agencies (Locality wide)
- Further priorities to be determined

Safe, Strong and Active Communities

- Tackle barriers to resident and community engagement and participation, particularly focussing on the youth voice (Locality wide)
- Celebrate local strengths across Keighley and promote a sense of local pride (Locality wide)
- Increase and sustain levels of volunteering, monopolising on interest through Covid-19 (Locality wide)
- Reduce levels of violent crime and sexual offences (Keighley West and Keighley Central wards)

A Sustainable District

- Increase recycling rates (Keighley Central and Keighley West wards)
- Reduce incidences of fly-tipping (Keighley Central ward)
- Promote community growing initiatives to bring communities together and encourage people to adopt healthier behaviours (Locality wide with opportunity to focus on Keighley Central, Keighley West and Keighley East wards)