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### Locality profile

Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village is located on the West Coast of Scotland, 25 miles west of Glasgow and has a population of around 5,700<sup>1</sup>. The locality area covers the villages of Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village, and also the surrounding rural area.

Kilmacolm is a historic village in Scotland. Quarrier's Village, a smaller settlement within the Kilmacolm parish, has a more recent history. It was founded in the late 19th century as a philanthropic endeavour by William Quarrier to provide a home for Glasgow's orphaned and homeless children. Today, Quarrier's Village is a residential community, while Kilmacolm retains its historic charm.

Kilmacolm history stretches back to the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> century, and its name reflects its religious roots – Kilmacolm means "Church of Columba." The village thrived during the cotton industry boom but later transformed into a popular destination due to its proximity to Glasgow. This led to the construction of grand homes by renowned architects like Charles Rennie Mackintosh, whose influence can still be seen in the village's architecture. Today, Kilmacolm is a sought-after residential area known for its beauty, rich heritage, and strong sense of community.

The wider civil parish of Kilmacolm encompasses a large area of farmlands and extends to the Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park. This means that while you'll find amenities and a community within the village, the landscape around Kilmacolm offers a rural escape.

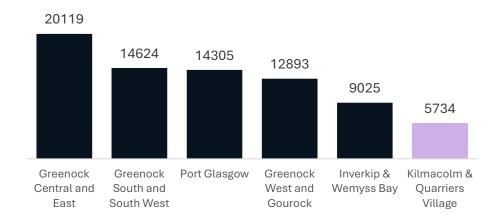
Greenock South and Southwest has strong, vibrant, active communities who work together to ensure that local people are involved, included and cared for.

Kilmacolm & Quarrier's Village

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> National Records of Scotland (NRS), 2022

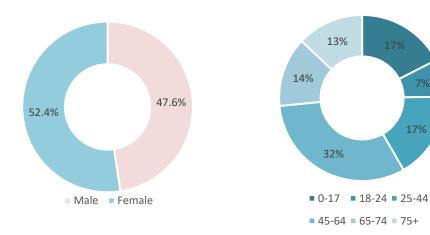
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Inverclyde locality populations<sup>1</sup>



K&QV age breakdown1

#### K&QV population gender split<sup>1</sup>



#### 5,734

Estimated population of Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village. This is approximately 7% of the total population of Inverclyde.<sup>1</sup>

#### 26.5%

of population are over the age of 65, which is 4.7% higher than the Inverclyde average of 21.8%.<sup>1</sup>

#### 10%

of children aged 0-15 living in households in relative poverty (22/23), 13.1% lower than Inverclyde 23.1% and 11.3% lower than Scotland 21.3%<sup>3</sup>

#### 81

is the female life expectancy (2019), which is 2.4 years higher than the Inverclyde average 78.6 and the same as Scotland 81.4

#### 33.8

crime rate per 1,000 population in 2022, which was 38.6 lower than the Inverclyde average 72.5 and 49.7 lower than Scotland 83.6. <sup>5</sup>

**0** of the 8 datazones are in the 20% most deprived in Scotland<sup>2</sup>.

#### 24.8%

of the population are under the age of 25, which is 0.6% lower than the Inverclyde average of 25.4%.<sup>1</sup>

#### 81.2

male life expectancy in Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village (2019), which is 6.9 years higher than the Inverclyde 74.3 and 4.4 years higher than the Scottish average 76.8. <sup>4</sup>

#### 83.3%

of children at a healthy weight in primary 1 (20/21), which is 18% higher than Inverclyde 65.3% and 13.6% higher than Scotland 69.8%.<sup>4</sup>

#### 5.4%

Working age population employment deprived (SIMD 2020), which is 9% lower than Inverclyde and 3.9% lower than Scotland

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.gov.scot/collections/scottish-index-of-multiple-deprivation-2020/

https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/constituency-data-child-poverty/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://scotland.shinyapps.io/ScotPHO\_profiles\_tool/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 23-1198 - Crime Stats - by Data Zone - Earliest To Apr 23 - Police Scotland

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### What is a Locality Action Plan?

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 placed a legal duty on Invercive Alliance to demonstrate that it is making a significant difference to the lives of residents through the planning and delivery of local outcomes and the involvement of community bodies at all stages of community planning. In addition, the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 (the Act) puts in place the legislative framework to integrate health and social care services in Scotland. Section 29(3)(a) of the Act requires each Integration Authority to establish at least two localities within the area.

Both these pieces of legislation have provided the opportunity for Inverclyde Alliance to develop six locality plans for the localities listed below.

- Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village
- Port Glasgow
- Greenock East and Central
- Greenock West and Gourock
- Greenock South and South West
- Inverkip and Wemyss Bay

The purpose of this locality plan is to outline the key issues in Port Glasgow that have been identified through the statistical information we hold for this locality, as well as extensive engagement with the community.

The locality plan also identifies a range of actions that will be taken to address these issues by both Inverclyde Alliance and the local community in Port Glasgow working together.

Locality plans should be informed by communities themselves and work is ongoing to create an Inverclyde-wide engagement model, known as Inverclyde Peoples Network, based on a mixture of online and face-to-face engagements, that will drive the priorities in 6 locality plans. This will be promoted as a community planning partnership approach and will also link with the work of Health and Social Care Partnership locality planning groups. The Inverclyde

Peoples Network will help to inform and take forward participatory budgeting in Inverclyde. Participatory budgeting is a way for people to have a direct say in how local money is spent.

This is an exciting opportunity for anyone who would like to get actively involved in the way services are delivered and shape how their local community might look in the future.

Public bodies cannot do this alone, we need to listen to what local people say is important to them and include your views as we plan ahead together.



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# Who are the key partners on this Locality Action Plan?

- Elected members
- Community Councils
- Tenants and Residents Associations
- Parent Councils and Pupil Councils
- Youth Council
- HSCP Locality Planning Groups
- Community representatives and groups
- Community Planning Partnership:
  - Inverclyde Council
  - Skills Development Scotland (SDS)
  - West College Scotland
  - Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP)
  - Police Scotland
  - Scottish Fire & Rescue
  - NHS Scotland
  - Third Sector organisations
  - Housing Associations
  - Scottish Enterprise
  - Nature Scotland

# **Community Assets**

Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village has a range of community groups, assets, and services across the locality. It is important that these assets are fully utilised for the benefit of residents in Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village and that consideration is given as to how these assets could be better used to improve the quality of life and deliver better outcomes for local people.

For further information on what activities and services are available within this locality area please visit Inverclyde Life - find activities and services in Inverclyde.

#### **Community Voice Groups**

The following is a list of some of the existing groups that operate within the locality area and provide a platform for communities to have their say:

- Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village Community Council
- Kilmacolm Residents Association
- Kilmacolm Civic Trust
- Kilmacolm ECO group

#### Physical Assets

#### Schools / Nurseries

- St Columba's Primary School
- Kilmacolm Primary School
- St Columba's School

#### **Places of Worship**

- Kilmacolm Old Kirk
- St Columba's Kilmacolm

#### Health

#### **GP Practices:**

- Dr Manasses & Partners
- Dr Simpson, Luty and Ormond (Dorema)

#### Pharmacies:

• Your Local Boots Pharmacy

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**Dental Practices:** 

• Kilmacolm Dental Care

#### Care Homes:

- Marcus Humphrey House
- Merrybrook
- Quarriers Ashgrove / Glen Valley
- Quarriers Davidson / Parkland / Kelly
- Quarriers Fountainview
- Riverview

#### **Other**

- Kilmacolm Community Centre
- Birkmyre Park Fitness Gym
- Kilmacolm Library



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### Engaging with the community

Extensive engagement has been carried out with residents in Greenock South and Southwest to find out what they think about living in this area and identify what improvements they would like to see take place.

Each Locality Plan set original priorities in 2019 based on data analysis and local engagement, which included:

- Our place our future (2017) In 2017 Inverclyde Alliance carried out a survey across Inverclyde called 'Our Place Our Future' which delved into a wide range of themes from traffic and parking, streets, and spaces, to work, care, housing, and local amenities.
- Engagement with Young People (2017) children from across Inverclyde provided the HSCP their views and identified eight priorities and actions that are important to them as part of the Inverclyde People Plan 2017-2020.
- 'Celebrate the Present, Shape the Future' Event (2019) In 2019
   Inverclyde Alliance held a series of engagement events across all 6 localities in Inverclyde called 'Celebrate the past, shape the future'.

During the development of the <u>Inverclyde Alliance Community Partnership Plan</u> 2023-33 a thorough Strategic Needs Assessment and public consultation was undertaken between 2021 and 2022. The consultation involved six different research methods over eight weeks of consultation. There were a total of 2801 participants.

Our partnership vision is "Success For All – Getting It Right for Every Child, Citizen and Community" and the plan focuses on the themes of Empowered People, Working People, Healthy People and Places, A Supportive Place, and a Thriving Place.

Following the publication of this Partnership Plan 23-33, a review of the previous priorities for Locality Plans was carried out to ensure that they were

still relevant to local needs and aligned with the new community planning partnership vision and priority outcomes.

A community survey ran during April and May 2024. The survey provided an opportunity for community members to state if they agreed or disagreed with the suggested priorities for their locality area, followed with an opportunity to suggest alternative areas of concern. The survey also asked for feedback on two Inverclyde wide priorities, transport and roads.

Community Learning & Development Officers created an engagement plan to maximise engagement, actions within this plan included:

- Visiting groups across the six localities with paper copies of the survey.
- Support from Corporate Communications with wider publicity
- Hosting 6 Community drop-on sessions in partnership with Inverclyde Libraries
- Promotion of the survey via Schools and Third sector such as CVS and Your Voice.

Community drop-in sessions were also held within each locality. The aim of the community drop-in was to provide a safe space for community members to access support to complete the survey, the support accessed was primary around supporting digital skills and further information in relation to the locality plans.

During the consultation communities were presented with the option of agree or disagree in relation to the suggested priorities specific to each locality and two Inverclyde wide priorities. The suggested priorities reflect feedback from previous community engagement. The digital survey received 410 completed responses:

- Theme 1 Empowering people: 78% agreed with the suggested priority.
- Theme 2 Working People: 74% agreed with the suggested priority.
- Theme 3 Healthy People and Places: 76% agreed with the suggested priority
- Theme 4 A Supportive Place: 75% agreed with the suggested priority

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- Theme 5 A Thriving Place: 67% agreed with the suggested priority
- Inverclyde wide priority 1 Improved roads: 75% agreed with the suggested priority
- Inverclyde wide priority 2 Improved transport: 71% agreed
- 129 of the respondents would like to be part of the Inverclyde People's Network

Engagement with people for the HSCP strategic plan 2024-2027 - The engagement process for the Strategic Plan in Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership involved a collaborative effort between the HSCP, CVS Inverclyde, and Your Voice. They co-produced a survey distributed digitally to the workforce, third sector, and communities. In-person engagement sessions and focus groups were also conducted to gather expectations and priorities for the plan.

The feedback from the engagement process highlighted several strengths of the Strategic Plan, including:

- Alignment with national outcomes
- Extensive community consultation in developing priorities
- Opportunities to strengthen partnership working with the third sector
- Potential for reviewing and improving processes, waiting times, and response times
- Opportunities to deliver services differently in response to financial pressures and service demands
- Potential to reconnect services and strengthen integration post-COVID

The priorities, over the life of this plan, we will:

- Provide Early Help and Intervention
- Improve Support for Mental Health, Wellbeing and Recovery
- Support Inclusive, Safe and Resilient Communities
- Strengthen Support to Families and Carers

### Kilmacolm and Quarrier's Village Priorities

Each Locality has their own local priorities that relate to inequalities and highlight where the Community Planning Partnership can add value. The priorities also link to our <u>Inverclyde Alliance Community Partnership Plan 2023-33</u>

As a result of the extensive engagement that has taken place the following priorities will be taken forward through the locality action plan for Greenock Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village:



**Empowered People:** People living in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village are involved in local democracy, decision making and have access to different ways to have their say



**Working People:** Communities will have access to employability support that supports highlighted need and more local jobs within the locality.



**Healthy People and Places:** Protect and enhance the green spaces and green belts within the locality.



A Supportive Place: Older people living in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village can participate in their local community.



**A Thriving Place:** Residents in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village have access to improved sustainable transport, improved roads and footpaths

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# **Next Steps**

- Locality Plans will be embedded within the work of the Thriving Communities Partnership who are a delivery group for Inverclyde Alliances Partnership Plan 2023-33.
- Community Conversation Weeks will be planned annually for each locality to ensure there is continual face-to-face engagement on the plans that is linked to decision-makers both within the local authority and the Community Planning Partnership.
- The Inverclyde People's Network will be developed as an Inverclydewide engagement network, based on a mixture of online and face-toface engagements, that will drive the priorities in 6 revised locality plans.



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# **Action Plan**

Partnership Plan Theme	What do we want to achieve and why?	How are we going to get there?	Lead	Timescale	Progress
Empowered People	People living in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village are involved in local democracy, decision making and have access to different ways to have their say.	<ul> <li>Promote the roles of Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village Community Council and community associations.</li> <li>Encourage Community Members to be part of the People's Network</li> <li>Greater focus on encouraging young people to be more involved with the Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village Community Council, Kilmacolm Civic Trust, and Residents Association</li> </ul>	Community Learning and Development Partnership		
Working People	Communities will have access to employability support that supports highlighted need and more local jobs within the locality.	<ul> <li>Ensure that there is access to inclusive employability support both in person and digital</li> <li>Establish employability support within Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village.</li> <li>Encourage more local start up business for example around homecare for Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village.</li> </ul>	Inverclyde Local Employability Partnership (LEP)		
Healthy People and Places	Protect and enhance the green spaces and green belts within the locality.	<ul> <li>Promote and maximise existing green spaces such as Birkmyre Park and community resources within the villages.</li> <li>Greater connection of local walking routes within Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village.</li> <li>Work in partnership with statuary services and Community groups</li> </ul>	Inverclyde Council Environment and Regeneration / Community Learning and Development Partnership		

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Supportive Place	Older people living in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village can participate in their local community.	<ul> <li>Improve the promotion of services and support for older people within Kilmacolm and Quarries Village.</li> <li>Statuary services will work in partnership with communities to ensure that there are reduced barriers to accessing services.</li> <li>Improved parking within the Villages</li> <li>More activities for older people living in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village</li> </ul>	Inverclyde Council Environment and Regeneration / Community Learning and Development Partnership	
Thriving Place	Residents in Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village have access to improved sustainable transport, improved roads and footpaths	<ul> <li>Encourage community engagement in relation to proposed changes to public transport to and from the Villages.</li> <li>Explore options for improved public transport for residents of Kilmacolm and Quarriers Village</li> <li>Promote the use cycle tracks to connect Kilmacolm and Quarriers to other parts of Inverclyde.</li> </ul>	Inverclyde Council Environment and Regeneration / Community Learning and Development Partnership	
Inverclyde-wide Priority	Inverclyde residents have increased access to public transport to reflect need.	<ul> <li>Undertake an Inverclyde Wide transport survey</li> <li>Encourage transport providers to engage with the community prior to service changes proposals.</li> </ul>	SPT	
	Improvement to Roads and footpaths within Inverclyde	<ul> <li>Ensure Communities know how to report issues with Roads</li> <li>Reduce the number of Potholes across Inverclyde</li> </ul>	Inverclyde Council Environment and Regeneration	
	Improved guidance and support for families and children with ASN	<ul> <li>Capture learning needs of parent's and carers</li> <li>Explore opportunities to improve inclusiveness of services.</li> </ul>	All Partners	