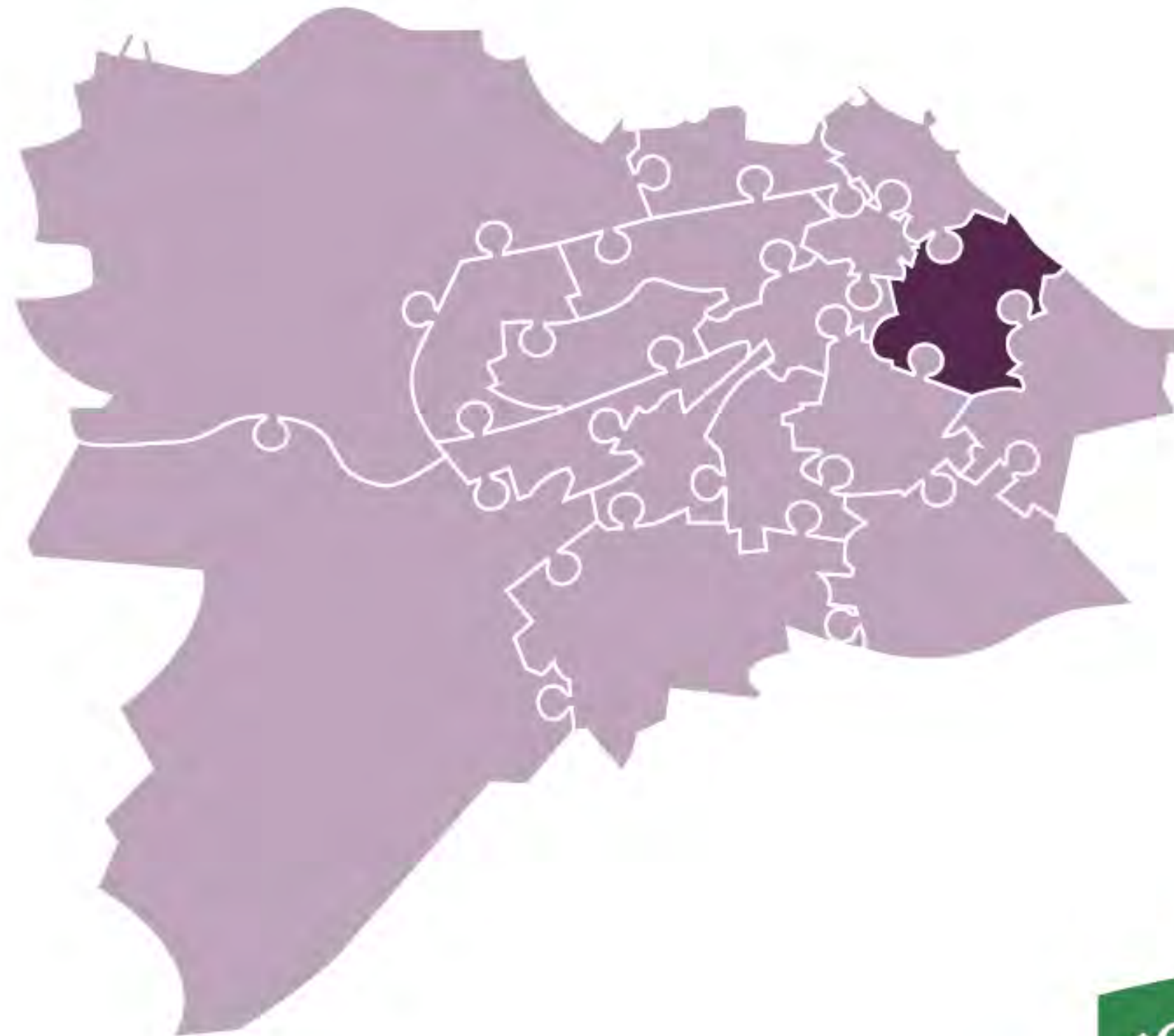


# Evidence Report Place Profile

Ward 14 Craigentinny / Duddingston



## Introduction

Place Profiles have been created for each of the 17 Electoral Wards within the City of Edinburgh Council area.

In line with NPF4 and related guidance, new Local Development Plans in Scotland need to be place-based, people-centred and delivery-focussed.

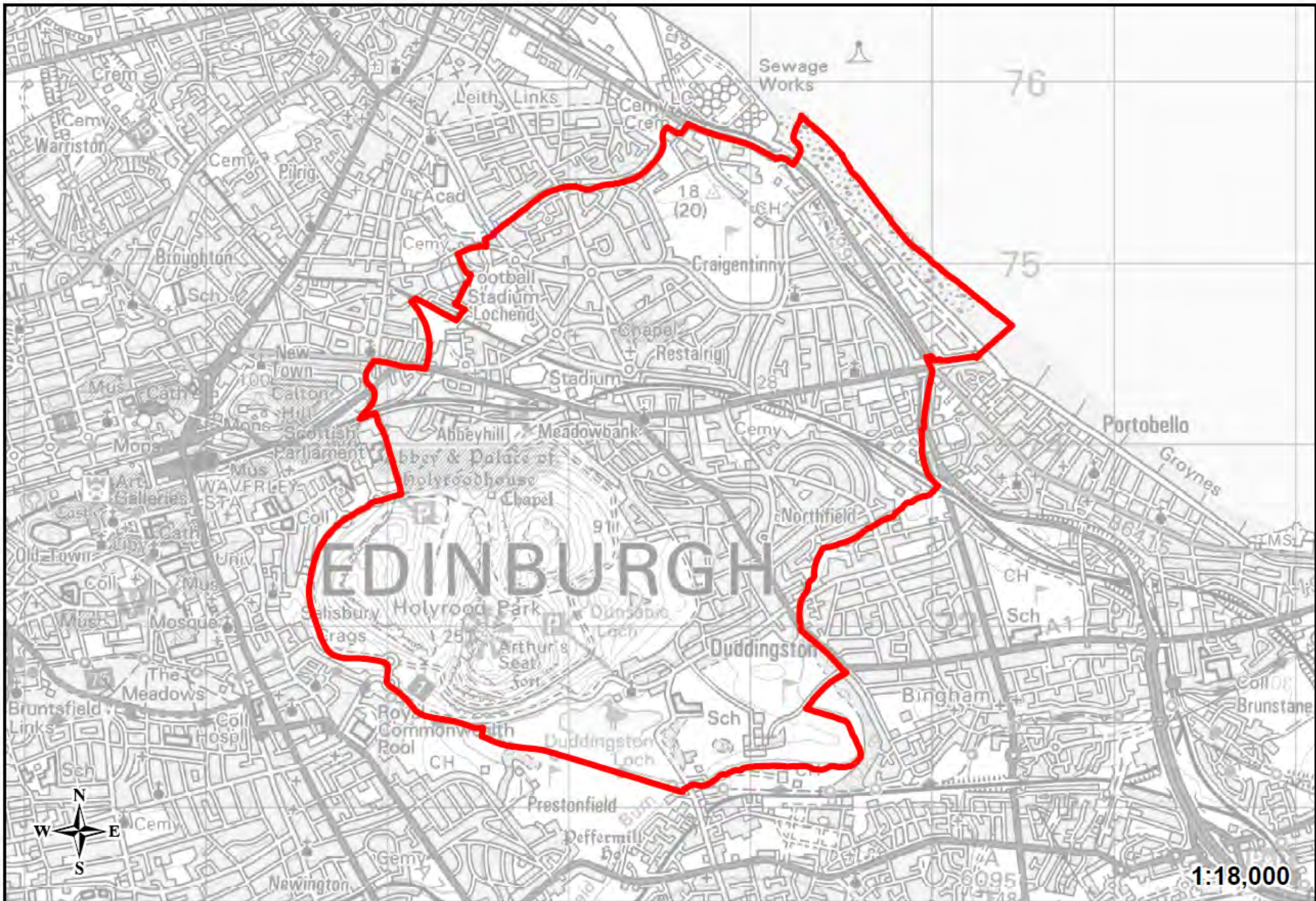
These Place Profiles display information on the people, infrastructure and key features of each ward and identify areas of focus for the Proposed Plan.

They provide spatial focus for the Evidence Report where they require a place-based analysis.

They are a tool for engagement, pulling together our spatial and statistical understanding into one place for quick access. This will assist communities looking to prepare Local Place Plans, and in turn the Place Profiles can be updated to include relevant work from Local Place Plans.

Demographic information is from the 2022 Census of Scotland and the Public Health Scotland Public Health Observatory (ScotPHO) Profiles.







# Place

## Headlines

This is a summary of key issues raised through analysis and engagement in this ward. Full details are shown in the appendix.

| Strengths                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Challenges                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Engagement feedback indicates that most residents are satisfied with living in the ward</li><li>- The distribution of health facilities broadly reflects areas of higher population density and transport accessibility, particularly around Meadowbank, Piershill and Lochend.</li><li>- Most residents consider there to be good provision of healthcare facilities, with GP practices generally within walking distance.</li><li>- Engagement feedback indicates that most residents feel their homes meet their needs, supported by a mix of housing types. These views are also reflected by children and young people.</li><li>- Residents generally feel that local shops and services meet day-to-day needs, including access to groceries within close proximity to home.</li><li>- Engagement feedback indicates that residents feel positively about the opportunities for work, volunteering and training in the area.</li><li>- Public transport provision is generally viewed positively, with the ward well served by bus routes and enabling access to key destinations.</li><li>- Some residents view parking controls as a positive feature, helping to manage parking demand in certain areas, and feel that there is generally enough parking.</li><li>- Children and young people generally feel safe when moving around in the local area.</li><li>- The ward benefits from strong access to green and open space, including Holyrood Park and Lochend Park and engagement feedback indicates that green spaces are well used and valued, particularly for informal recreation such as ball games.</li><li>- Adults, children and young people generally feel that there is adequate provision of parks and open spaces for play and recreation.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- There is a contrast between Lochend and Restalrig reporting high levels of deprivation and Willowbrae, Northfield, Craigentenny and Meadowbank, which are among the least deprived.</li><li>- Some people feel that their housing does not meet their needs and there are higher levels of overcrowding reported in the north of the ward.</li><li>- The distribution of health facilities is not uniform across the ward, with areas such as Willowbrae and Northfield experiencing comparatively lower accessibility than other locations, and engagement feedback highlights gaps in access certain services.</li><li>- Engagement feedback indicates that residents have concerns regarding the concentration of purpose-built student accommodation and short-term lets in some areas.</li><li>- Engagement feedback indicates concerns regarding housing affordability, with some residents considering housing to be too expensive.</li><li>- Children and young people report that public transport can be slow or unreliable.</li><li>- Feedback suggests that there may be insufficient provision of open spaces suitable for older children and teenagers.</li><li>- Traffic and parking are identified as key concerns, including congestion associated with through-traffic.</li><li>- Engagement highlights that there are concerns for too many vape shops and barbershops.</li><li>- Growing spaces are not evenly distributed across the ward.</li></ul> |
| Implications                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- An opportunity to explore housing that suits the needs of the population.</li><li>- There is an opportunity to enhance access to a wider range of services and healthier food options within the ward.</li><li>- Some residents suggested that extending the Low Emission Zone (LEZ) could help address traffic and congestion issues.</li><li>- Opportunity to improve access to public transport in the wards and reduce the impact of traffic congestion.</li><li>- There is opportunity to look at creating better dedicated and interconnected walking, wheeling and cycle routes.</li><li>- Opportunities to increase food growing spaces in areas with lower provision such as eastern part of the ward as well as Abbeyhill and Meadowbank.</li><li>- Opportunity to increase provision of recreation spaces and improve the maintenance and cleanliness of existing spaces.</li><li>- Keeping the outdoor areas cleaner and increasing planting and greenery are seen as measures that would help nature in the area.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |



## Background

Craigentinny/Duddingston Ward includes dense areas of **Abbeyhill** and **Meadowbank** to the west, with shops and services in the backdrop of older tenements. The rest of the ward is post-1930s residential development of mid- and low-density.

**Craigentinny** is a large area consisting of mid-20<sup>th</sup> inter-war private housing development, mainly of bungalows and semi-detached housing. There are some 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century terraces along the main road to Portobello.

**Lochend** is an area built in the inter-war period as a public housing development around the historic Lochend Park and Castle.

**Restalrig** is an area built in the inter-war period as a public housing development around the core of the medieval Restalrig village. It contains a local centre and some high-rise housing.

**Marionville** is a small area focussed on Marionville Avenue built in the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century as houses and bungalows.

**Abbeyhill** and **Meadowbank** are dense areas located at the major corridor of London Road, and just north of Holyrood Park. These contain compact tenement development mixed with more recent infill development. On London Road, clusters of commercial and service uses are mixed with residential. Meadowbank Sports Centre is located here.

**Holyrood Park** is a major park including a landmark hill and natural space overlooking the area with a central position within Edinburgh.

**Piershill** is a mixed area along the main route to Portobello. The development includes a planned 1930s public housing at Piershill Square and a mix of commercial uses along the main road.

**Willowbrae** is a mixed area bordering Holyrood Park to east. Development is ranging from denser late 19<sup>th</sup> to early 20<sup>th</sup> century terraced housing and tenements to the north, to lower density detached and semi-detached housing to the south

**Northfield** is a planned area from the 1920s consisting of public housing built at lower density. There is some later post-war public housing close to Figgate Park.

**Mountcastle** is a planned area of lower density mid-20<sup>th</sup> century housing.

**Duddingston Village** is a historic village which was a centre of weaving in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. It is also known for its historic skating and curling loch which is now a wildlife reserve.

Along with local shops at London Road, Meadowbank Retail Park is a major shopping and commercial centre.

The A1 is a major transport route in the ward, running east from the city centre and connecting the ward to the south. The East Coast Main Line intersects the ward in the north.

While built-up, there are many large open spaces such as Holyrood Park, Lochend Park, Craigentinny Golf Course, Piershill Cemetery and Duddingston Golf Course as well as the

linear Figgate Park. There are also a number of small lochs within the ward, including Duddingston, Dunsapie, St Margaret's and Lochend.

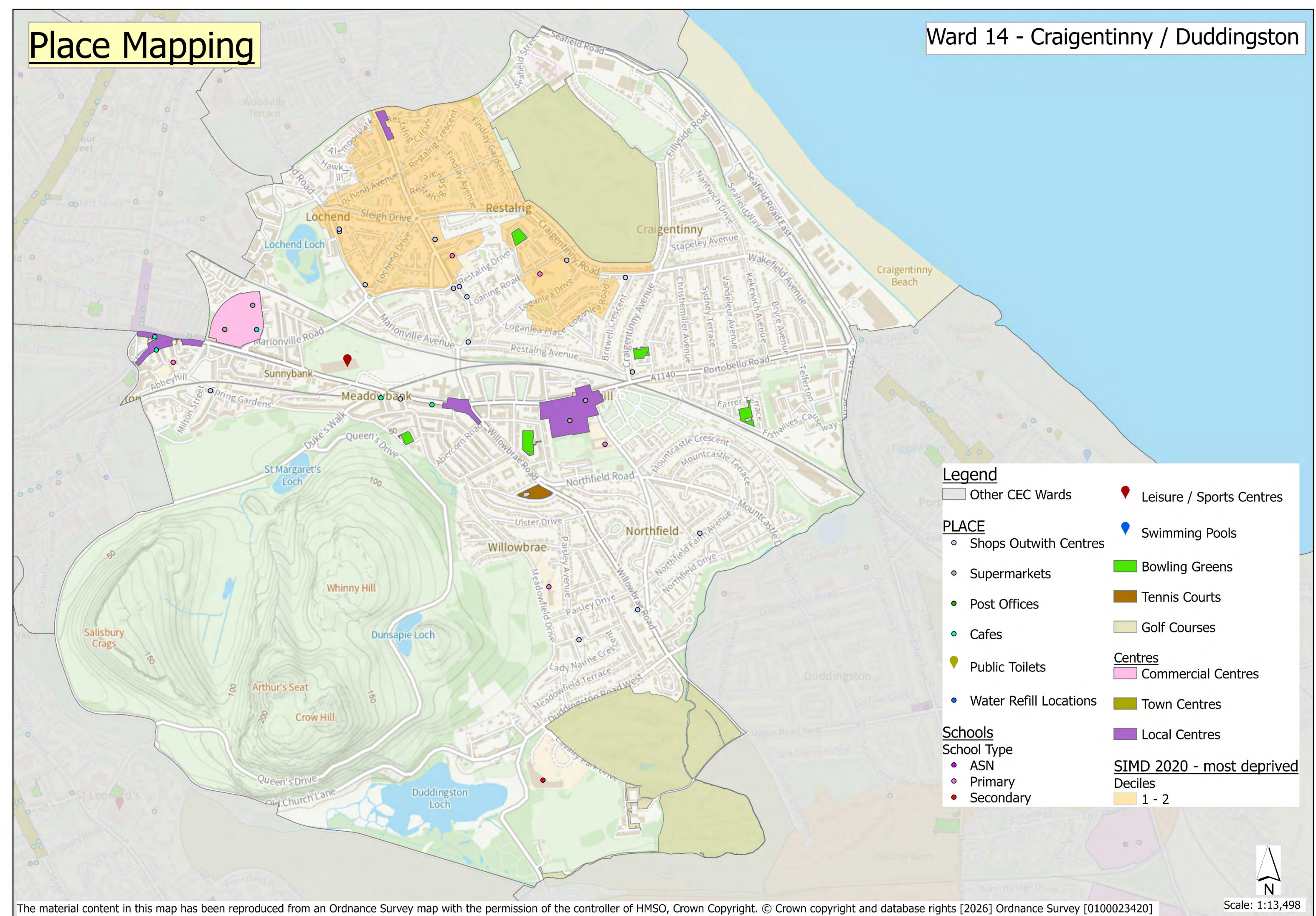
## Place Mapping

- Mapping of key amenities are shown below, which are linked to amenities detailed in the **Local Living topic paper** which can contribute to Living Well Locally.
- Distribution of cultural facilities and community-run spaces is also shown. This is based upon available information at the time of mapping and may not include all existing spaces but is used to show an overall pattern.



# Place Mapping

Ward 14 - Craigentenny / Duddingston





# Culture and Community Infrastructure

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

**Legend**

Other CEC Wards

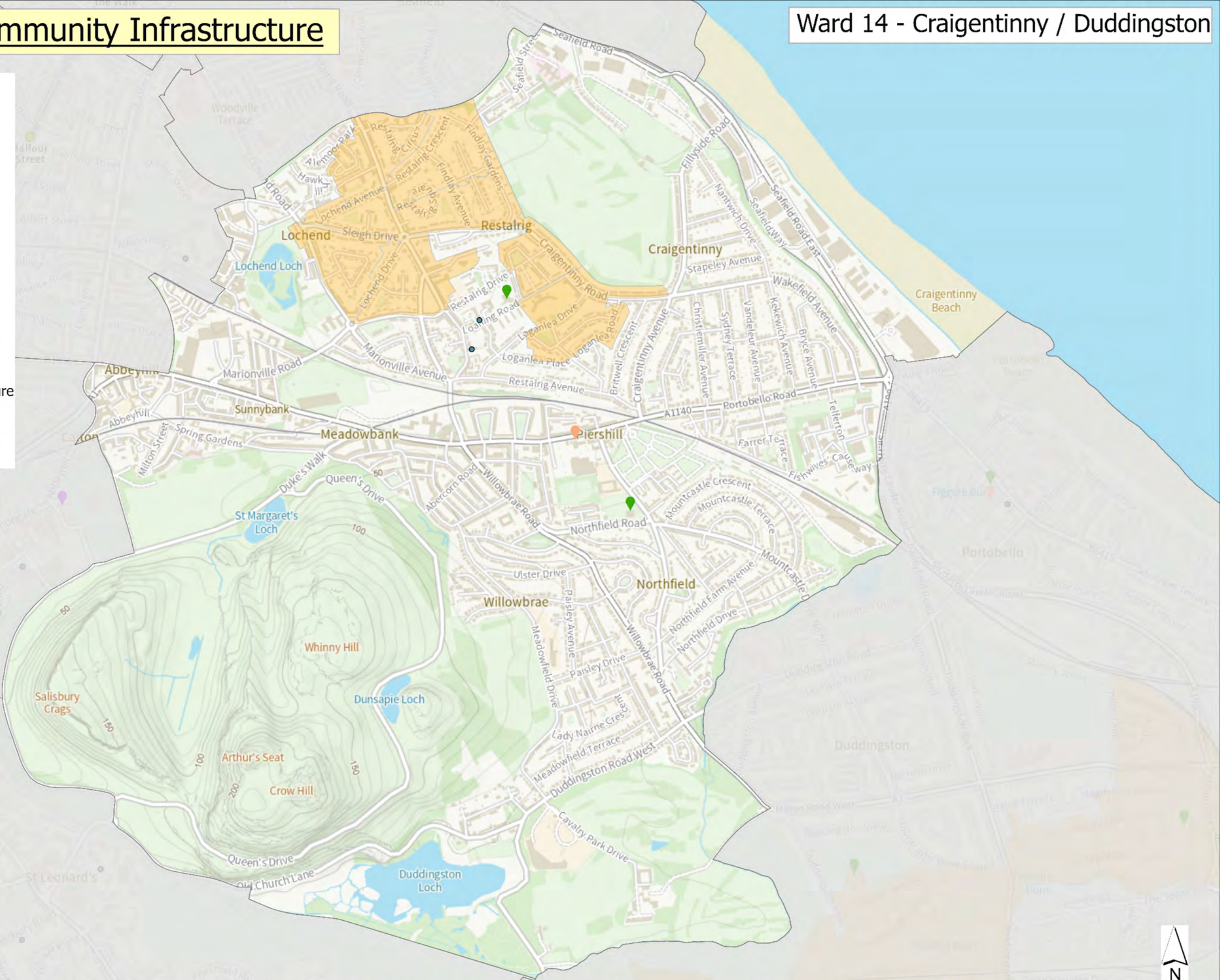
**CULTURE**

- Museums
- Libraries
- Art Galleries
- Theatres
- Cinemas
- Community Centres
- Community Run Infrastructure

**SIMD 2020 - most deprived**

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## Considerations

- Place mapping shows that amenities located in Abbeyhill and Meadowbank tend to align with population density and access to transport, forming more compact neighbourhoods particularly in the west of the ward and along main routes where mixed uses and tenement development are common. Amenities are also located close to the historic centre of Restalrig which is the core of an older village with higher density housing and good access to public transport close by.
- Overall, cultural and community spaces are concentrated in Restalrig and nearby Piershill. There are gaps in provision in the south and north of the ward including the proposed Seafield development allocation and masterplan.
- Most people are happy with the spaces and opportunities where they can meet up with friends and other people, with people meeting in cafes, bars, parks and community-run spaces. This includes children and young people.
- Most people think that the amount of community space in the area is good, though some people feel that more community space is needed.
- Some children and young people would like to see more sports and active clubs in the area.
- Some children and young people in the area visit the free galleries and museums in Edinburgh. Others very rarely or never visit them, finding them boring or hard to get to.



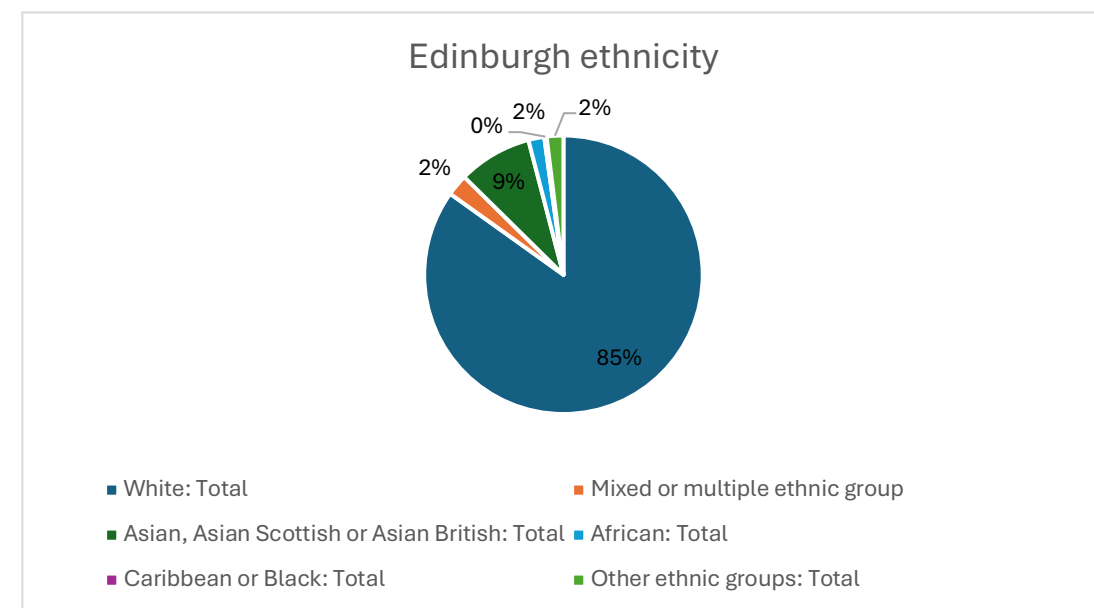
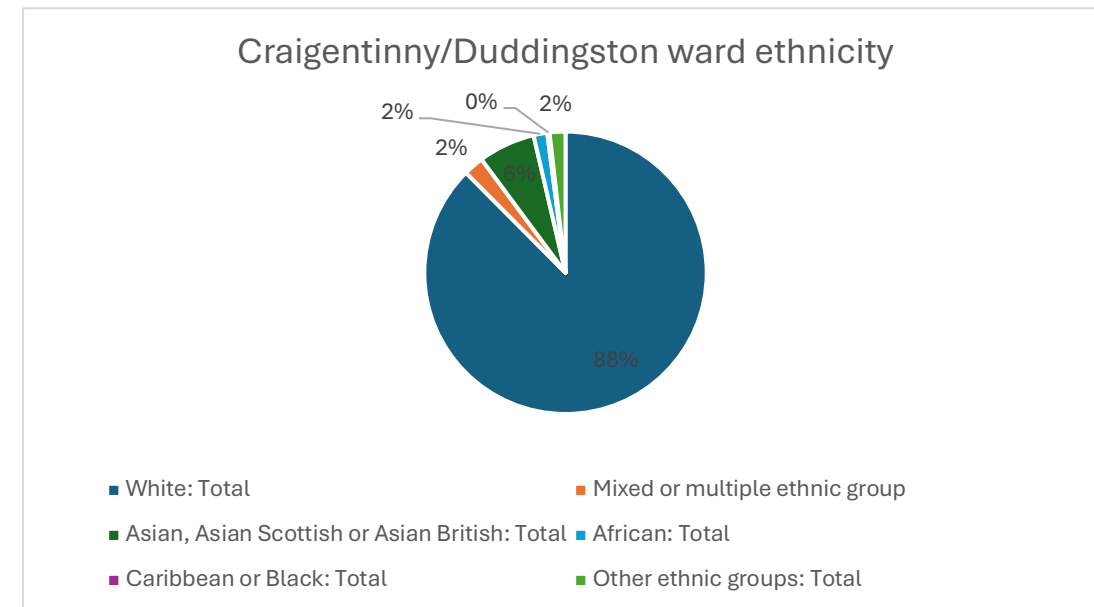
# People

## Demographics

- The population of Craigentinny/Duddingston is 29,097, which is **5.7%** of the Edinburgh total of 514,543.
- This population is housed in 15,035 households, which is **6.3%** of the Edinburgh total of 238,944 households.
- The following sites located within the ward boundary are allocated within the adopted City Plan 2030:
  - OPP25 London Road – 113 homes.
  - OPP26 Portobello Road – 41 homes.
  - OPP55 Seafeld – 800 homes.
  - H27 Willowbrae Road – 24 homes.
  - City Plan 2030 allocates a total 978 which would be a **6.5%** increase in households, compared to a projected 40,288 or **16.9%** increase for Edinburgh as a whole, as set out in City Plan 2030.
  - The expected rate of growth in this ward is lower than that of Edinburgh as a whole, although major development is expected at Seafeld.
- The age breakdown of the ward is listed below:
  - The population aged 0-15 is 3,653 which is **12.55%** of the ward population compared to **14.58%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - The population aged 16-64 is 20,487 which is **70.41%** of the ward population compared to **69.5%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - The population aged 65+ is 4,961 which is **17.05%** of the ward population compared to **15.93%** for the Edinburgh total.

The ethnicity breakdown of the ward is listed below:

- The percentage of the population recorded as white is **88%** compared to **85%** for Edinburgh as a whole.
- For the population recorded as not white, the largest groups represented are:
  - Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Group (613)
  - Pakistani, Pakistani Scottish or Pakistani British (540)
  - Indian, Indian Scottish or Indian British (496)





## Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD)

- SIMD mapping below shows this as a mixed ward with some areas within the 20% most deprived in Scotland in the north of the ward around Lochend and Restalrig, contrasting with other areas within the 20% least deprived in the south of the ward.



# Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

## Legend

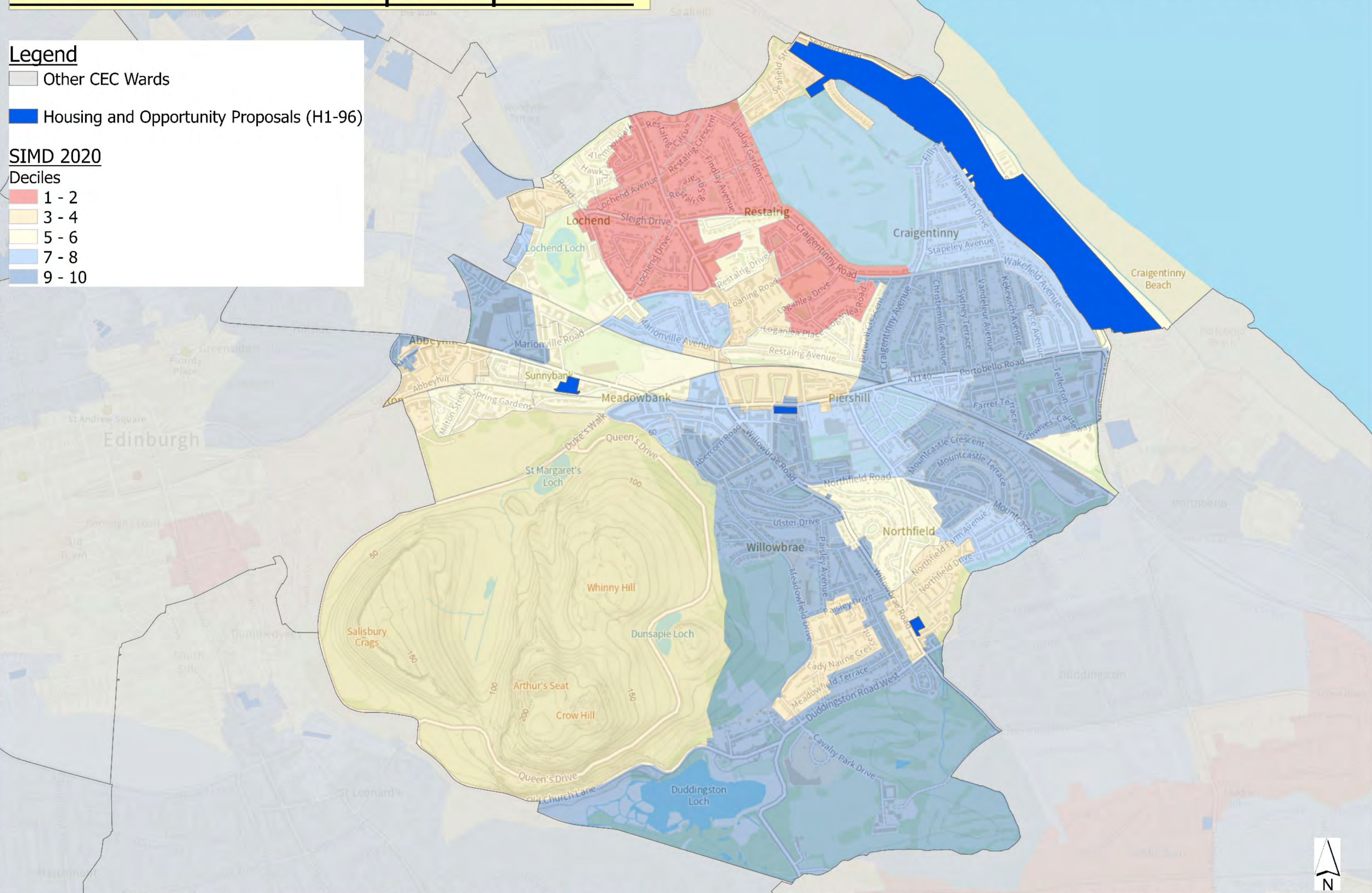
Other CEC Wards

Housing and Opportunity Proposals (H1-96)

## SIMD 2020

### Deciles

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- 3 - 4
- 5 - 6
- 7 - 8
- 9 - 10



Scale: 1:14,500



## Considerations

- The population is expected to grow slower than the Edinburgh average, with this growth concentrated in the Seafield area where a masterplan is currently in development.
- The working age population is approximately in line with the Edinburgh average, but the child-age population is lower and the older population is higher than the Edinburgh average.
- Population groups show a slightly lower level of diversity compared to Edinburgh as a whole.
- Some areas of the ward are identified as being within the most 20% deprived in Scotland, concentrated in the Lochend and Restalrig areas. This contrasts with areas of the ward including parts of Willowbrae, Craigentinny and Meadowbank which sit within the 20% least deprived in Scotland, indicating a contrast with locations built as post-war public housing developments.
- Most people are happy to be living in the area.



# Health

## Demographics

- **19.9%** of the ward population reported having a long-term illness or disease, compared to **18.1%** of the Edinburgh total.
- **13.3%** of the ward population reported having a long-term mental health condition, compared to **11.9%** of the Edinburgh total.
- **80%** of the ward population considered themselves to be in good or very good health, compared to **83.7%** of the Edinburgh population.
- The total number of dental registrations in this ward is **15,662**, less than the ward population of **29,097**. Dental practices do not have fixed boundaries, indicating that people may have to travel elsewhere for dental care.
- This ward has a ratio of **1 pharmacy per 7,346.2 people** based on mid-2024 estimates compared to **1 pharmacy per 5006.4 people** for Edinburgh as a whole.
- It is estimated based on A&E attendances that **19.35%** of the ward have accessed A&E services in 2025, compared to **17.59%** for Edinburgh as a whole.
- For pregnant people who had a BMI reading taken between 2020 and 2025, **31.09%** were overweight and **19.17%** were obese. For Edinburgh as a whole, **29.1%** were overweight and **18.76%** were obese.
- For all people who had a BMI reading taken in 2025, **32.8%** were overweight and **31.36%** were obese. For Edinburgh as a whole, **32.56%** were overweight and **30.12%** were obese.
- As these BMI statistics are biased towards either all pregnant people or people who are more likely to have a BMI taken for medical reasons they should be viewed for comparison only, not as an accurate reading of population health statistics.
- Life expectancy data is based upon intermediate zones, which do not match with ward boundaries. For Edinburgh as a whole, between 2022 and 2024 male life expectancy was **78.3 years** and female life expectancy was **82.2 years**. The life expectancy measured from 2019 to 2023 of the intermediate zones wholly or partially within this ward are as follows:
  - In Abbeyhill – Male life expectancy was **79 years** and female life expectancy was **86.6 years**.
  - Canongate, Southside & Dumbiedykes – Male life expectancy was **71.9 years** and female life expectancy was **79.1 years**.
  - Craigentinny – Male life expectancy was **80.8 years** and female life expectancy was **82.1 years**.
  - Duddingston & Portobello South – Male life expectancy was **81.2 years** and female life expectancy was **86.2 years**.
  - Easter Road & Hawkhill Avenue – Male life expectancy was **73.6 years** and female life expectancy was **78.9 years**.
  - Hillside & Calton Hill – Male life expectancy was **81.2 years** and female life expectancy was **84.8 years**.

- Meadowbank & Abbeyhill North – Male life expectancy was **78.5 years** and female life expectancy was **81.8 years**.
- Mountcastle – Male life expectancy was **80.9 years** and female life expectancy was **86.9 years**.
- Northfield & Piershill – Male life expectancy was **76.3 years** and female life expectancy was **81.5 years**.
- Portobello – Male life expectancy was **77.3 years** and female life expectancy was **83.4 years**.
- Restalrig & Lochend – Male life expectancy was **71 years** and female life expectancy was **76.1 years**.
- Restalrig (Loganlea) & Craigentinny West – Male life expectancy was **73.1 years** and female life expectancy was **76.5 years**.
- Western Harbour & Leith Docks – Male life expectancy was **82 years** and female life expectancy was **80.5 years**.
- Willowbrae & Duddingston Village – Male life expectancy was **82.1 years** and female life expectancy was **84.8 years**.

## Uses likely to affect health and wellbeing and food access

- Town and local centres with identified clusters of unhealthy uses are set out in the **Health and Wellbeing topic paper** and **City, Town, Local and Commercial Centres topic paper**.
- There are no town and local centres with identified clusters of unhealthy uses within this ward.
- The Priority Places for Food Index identifies neighbourhoods that are most vulnerable to increases in the cost of living and which have a lack of accessibility to cheap, healthy, and sustainable sources of food making them a Priority Place for Food as set out in the **Health and Wellbeing topic paper**.
- According to this index, there are no data zones within this ward falling within the top 20% priority areas lacking access.
- Hot food takeaway uses tend to be located along the corridor from Meadowbank to Piershill.



# Hot Food Takeaways

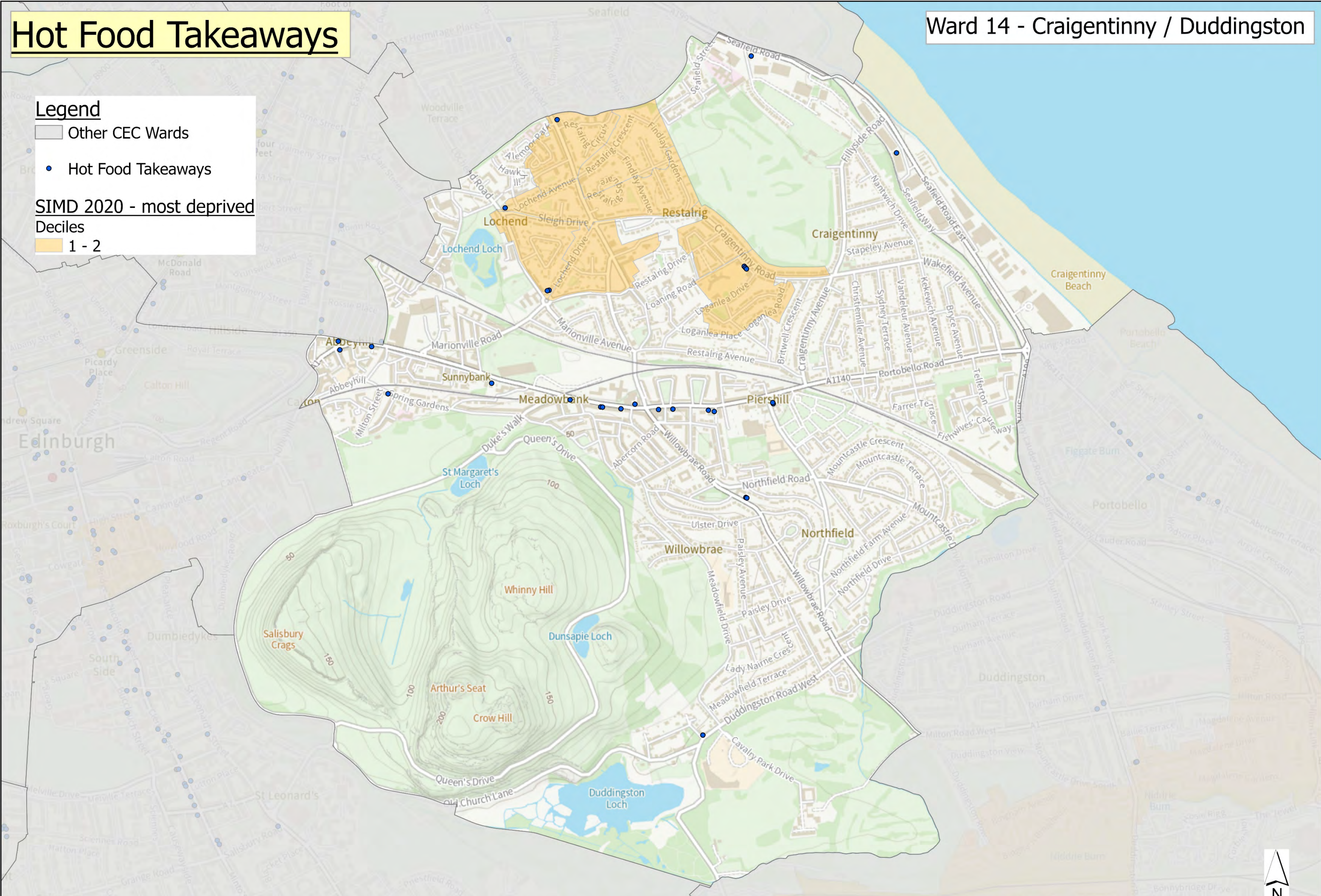
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**Legend**

- Other CEC Wards
- Hot Food Takeaways

**SIMD 2020 - most deprived Deciles**

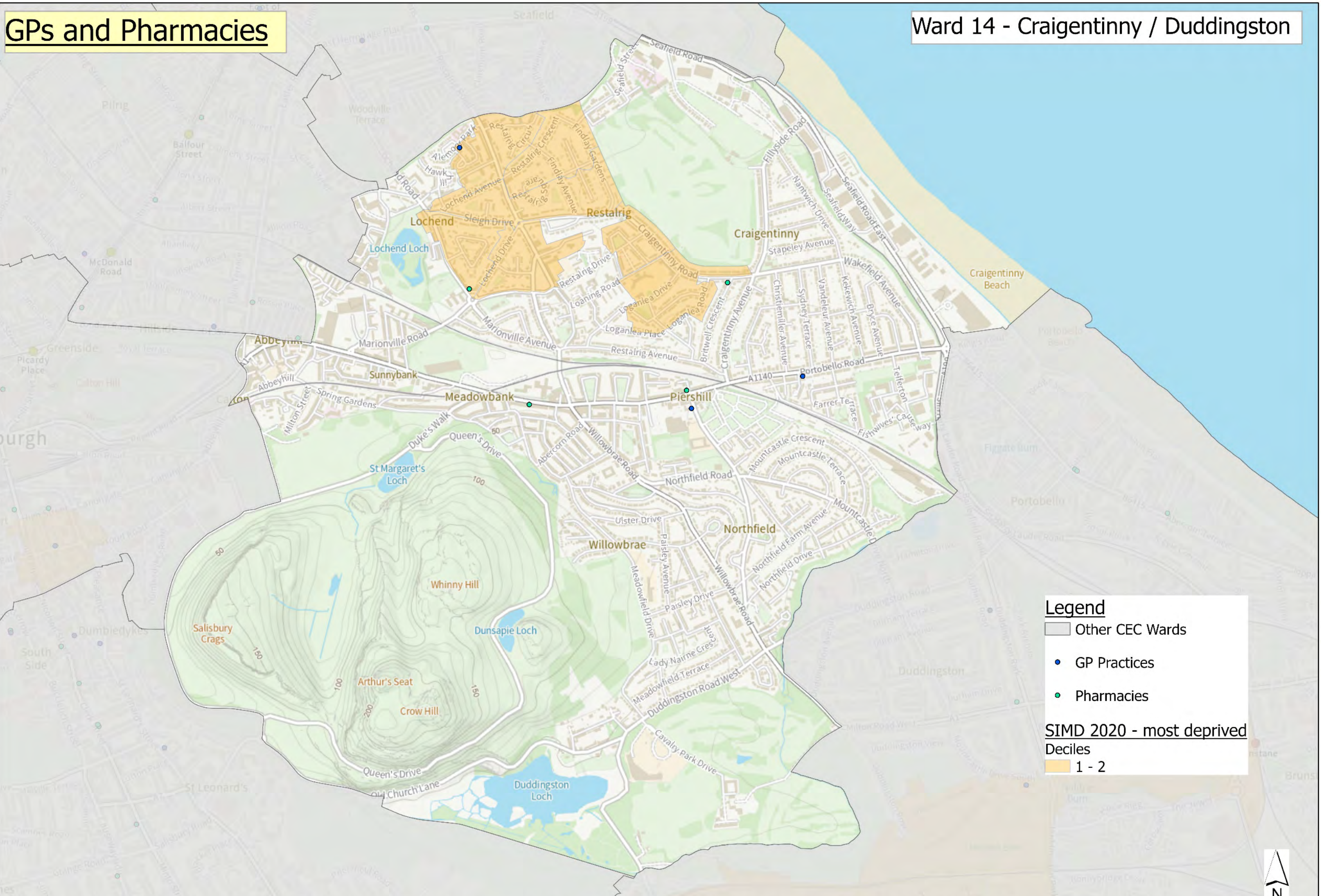
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**GPs and Pharmacies**

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston





## Considerations

- The percentage of people who report being in good or very good health is below the Edinburgh average, with more people having a long-term illness/disease than the Edinburgh average.
- The percentage of people who report having a long-term mental health condition is higher than the Edinburgh average.
- The location of health facilities largely follows existing areas of higher population density and transport access around Meadowbank, Piershill and Lochend.
- Most people consider there to be a good provision of healthcare facilities in the area with GP practices within walking distance. However, some feel that there is a lack of chemists and dentists in the area.



# Housing

## Housing type and density

- 4,373 households live in houses, which is **29.1%** compared with **36.8%** of the Edinburgh total, while 10,653, which is **70.9%**, live in flats compared with **63.2%** of the Edinburgh total. 6 live in a caravan or another mobile/temporary structure.
- Although the level of flatted accommodation is higher on average than the Edinburgh total, mapping shows higher concentrations of houses in parts of Craighentenny and Willowbrae. This approximately aligns with lower areas of deprivation in these areas.
- Population density as measured by households per hectare is higher in the west of the ward in the Meadowbank and Abbeyhill areas closer to the city centre, public transport connections and local and commercial centres, and becomes lower in the east where fewer households are in flatted accommodation.

## Housing tenure and overcrowding

- The housing tenure breakdown of the ward is listed below:
  - **59.1%** households in the ward report their housing tenure as Owned, compared to **60.1%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **17.9%** households in the ward report their housing tenure as Social Rented, compared to **15.7%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **22.1%** households in the ward report their housing tenure as Private Rented, compared to **23.1%** for the Edinburgh total.
- The level of owner-occupation matches the Edinburgh average, but slightly more households live in socially rented accommodation than the Edinburgh average and mapping shows this to be concentrated in the Lochend, Restalrig, Northfield and Piershill areas.
- The level of overcrowding as measured by census reporting of number of people within occupiable rooms per household is higher in Lochend and Restalrig.



# Density (Households per Hectare)

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

## Legend

Other CEC Wards

## Public Transport Stops

### Type

- Bus
- Coach
- Rail
- Tram

Open Space

## Centres

Commercial Centres

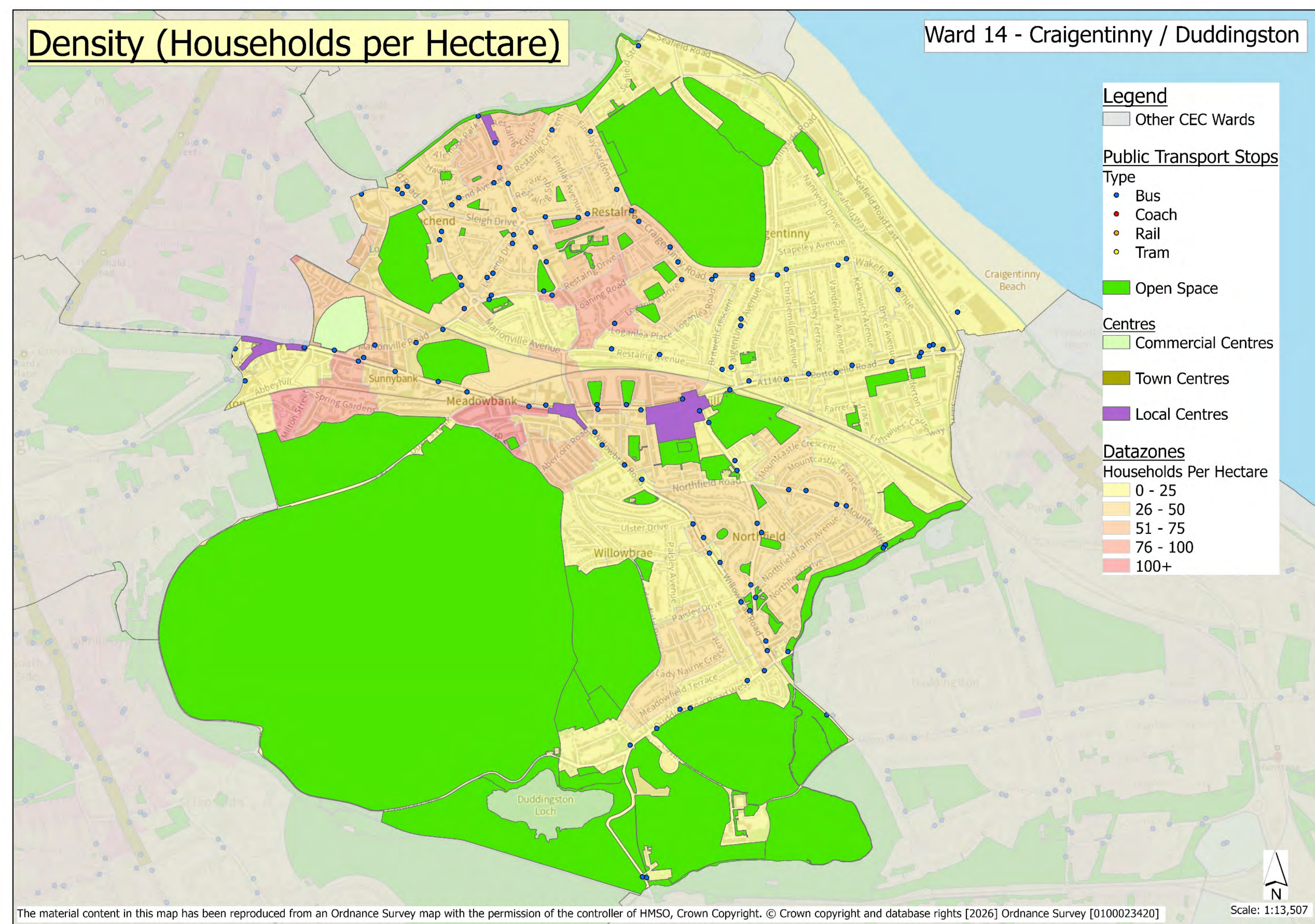
Town Centres

Local Centres

## Datazones

### Households Per Hectare

- 0 - 25
- 26 - 50
- 51 - 75
- 76 - 100
- 100+



Scale: 1:13,507



# Flats, Apartments and Maisonettes Percentage

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

**Legend**

Other CEC Wards

Public Transport Stops

Type

- Bus
- Coach
- Rail
- Tram

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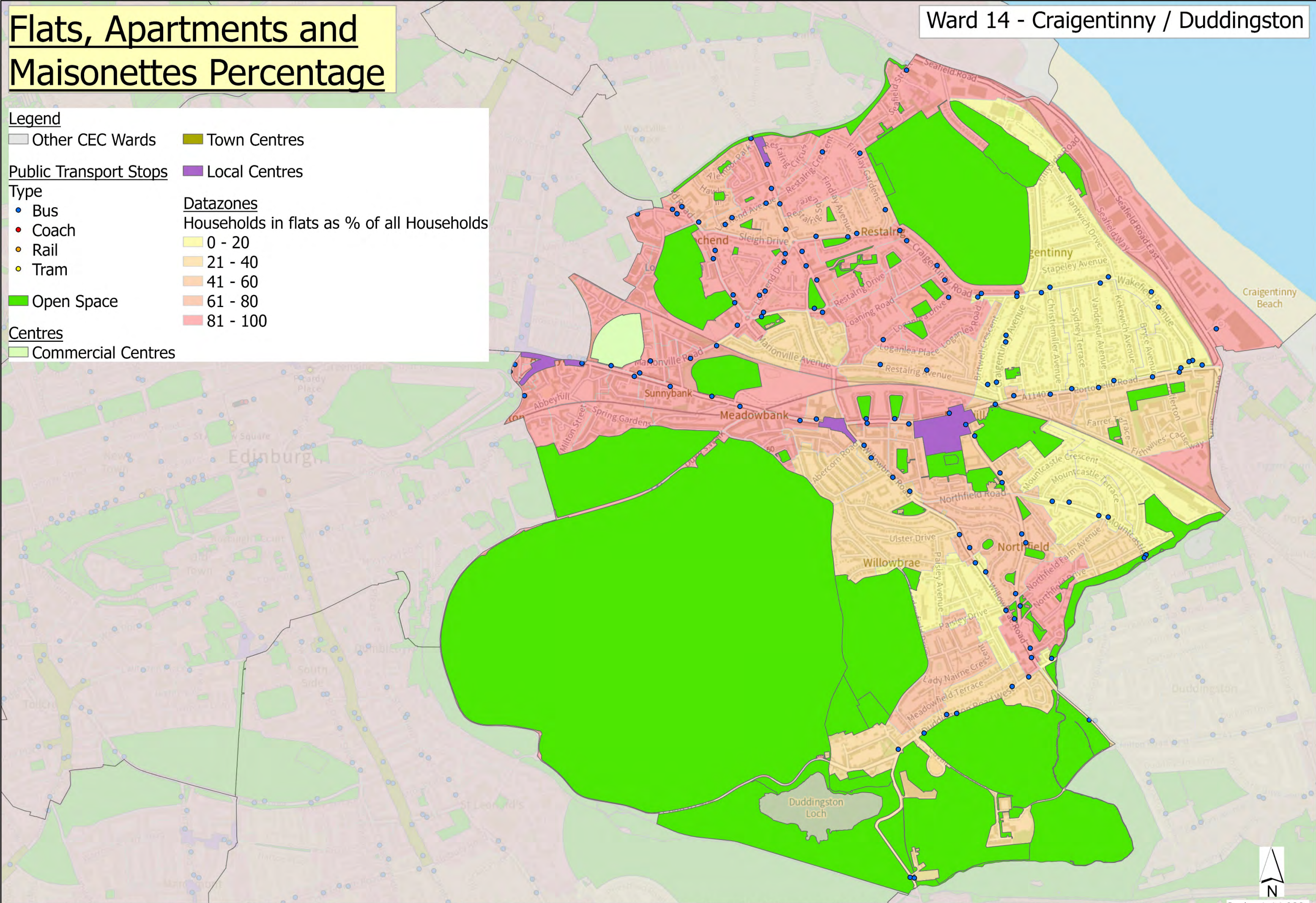
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**Datzones**

Households in flats as % of all Households

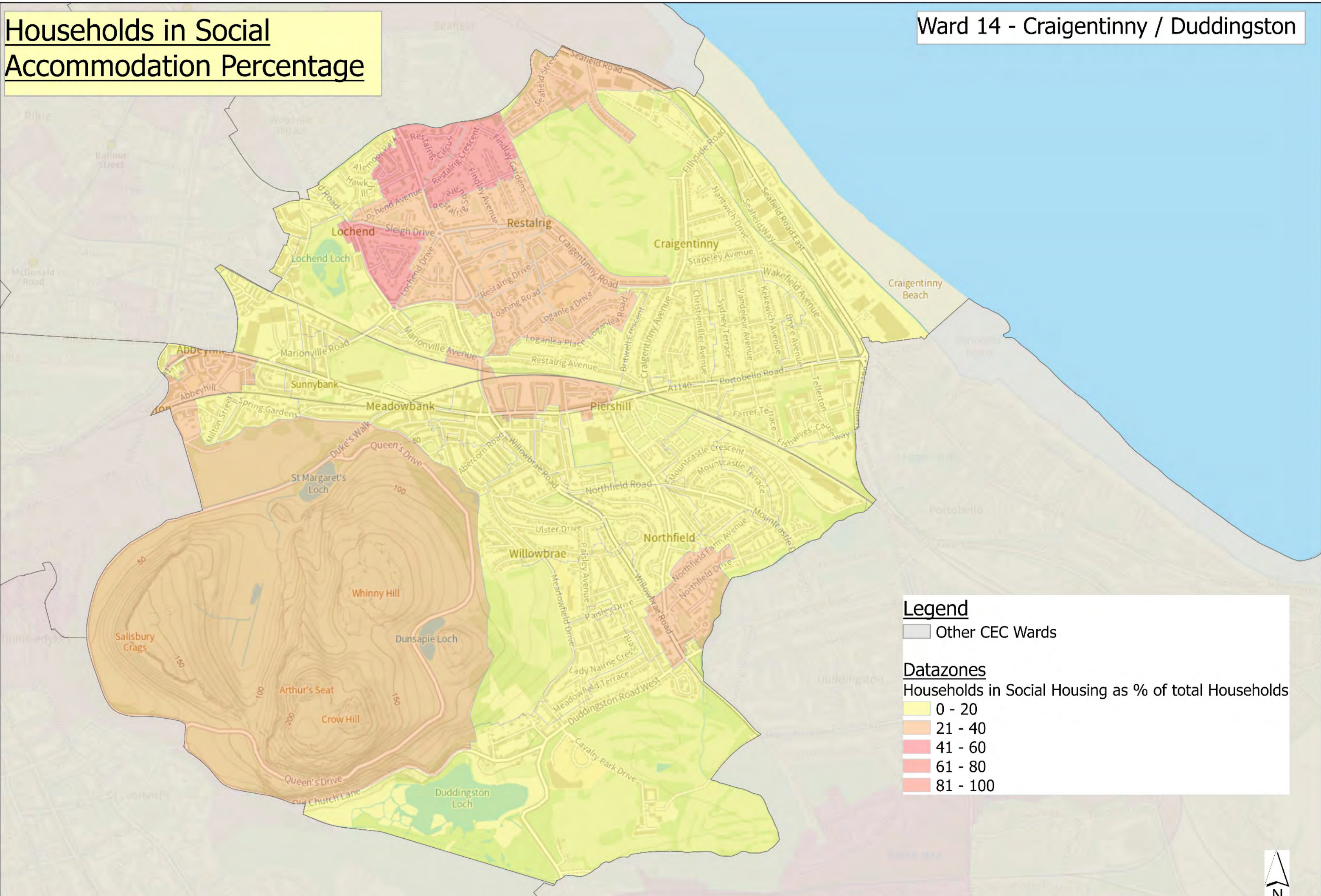
- 0 - 20
- 21 - 40
- 41 - 60
- 61 - 80
- 81 - 100





# Households in Social Accommodation Percentage

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Other CEC Wards

**Datazones**

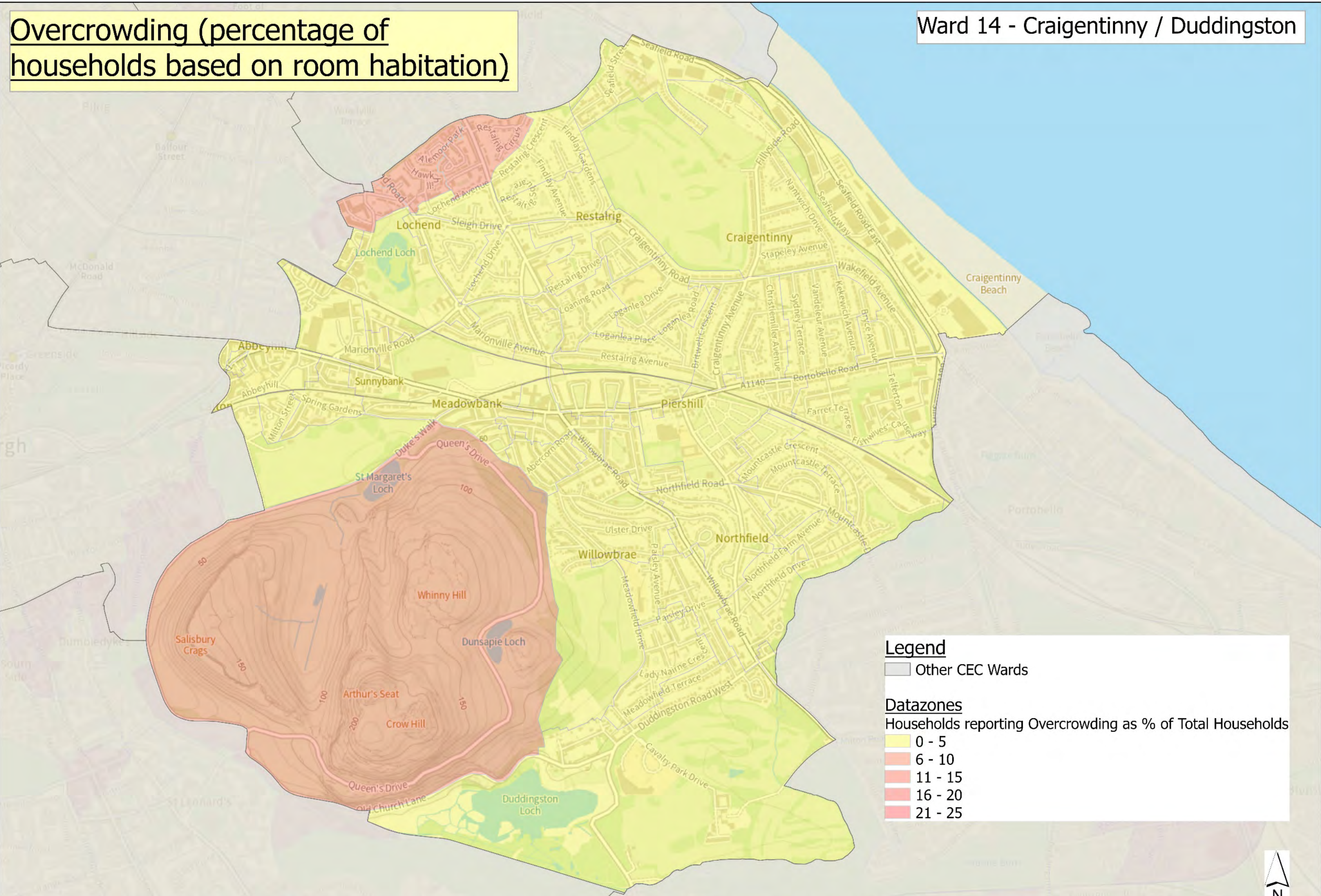
Households in Social Housing as % of total Households

- 0 - 20
- 21 - 40
- 41 - 60
- 61 - 80
- 81 - 100



Overcrowding (percentage of households based on room habitation)

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston



**Legend**

Other CEC Wards

**Datazones**  
Households reporting Overcrowding as % of Total Households

- 0 - 5
- 6 - 10
- 11 - 15
- 16 - 20
- 21 - 25



## Considerations

- Flatted accommodation is concentrated in Abbeyhill and Meadowbank as well as Lochend, Restalrig and parts of Northfield and Willowbrae which were built as inter-war public housing developments, with a higher concentration of houses outwith these areas.
- Social housing is concentrated in Lochend, Restalrig and parts of Northfield and Piershill. Parts of Lochend and Restalrig are more likely to be overcrowded.
- Most people in the area are happy with their home and feel the homes in the area meet the needs of local people. These views were shared by children and young people.
- People view the mix of homes in the area positively, though some feel that there is too much purpose-built student accommodation and too many short term lets.
- Some have concerns that housing in the area is too expensive.
- Most people, including children and young people feel that the shops and services in the area meet their needs. People feel that they can buy groceries near to their home.
- Some people think the area would benefit from more services and more healthier food options, and some are concerned that there are too many vape shops and barbershops.



## Economy

### Demographics

- The occupation breakdown of the Ward is listed below:
  - **7.5%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Managers, Directors and Senior Officials, compared to **8.7%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **25.2%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Professional Occupations, compared to **29.9%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **16.3%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Associate Professional and Technical Occupations, compared to **15.7%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **10.3%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Administrative and Secretarial Occupations, compared to **8.9%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **8.7%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Skilled Trade Occupations, compared to **7.2%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **8.7%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Caring, Leisure and Other Service Occupations, compared to **7.5%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **7.4%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Sales and Customer Service Occupations, compared to **7.2%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **4.9%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Process, Plant and Machine Operatives, compared to **4.3%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **11%** of people aged 16 or over in employment in the ward report their occupation as Elementary Occupations, compared to **10.6%** for the Edinburgh total.
- The qualification breakdown of the ward is listed below:
  - **12.8%** of residents in the ward report their highest qualification level as No qualifications, compared to **9.7%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **16.6%** of residents in the ward report their highest qualification level as Lower school qualifications, compared to **14.3%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **10.9%** of residents in the ward report their highest qualification level as Upper school qualifications, compared to **4.4%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **6%** of residents in the ward report their highest qualification level as Apprenticeship qualifications, compared to **4.4%** for the Edinburgh total.
  - **10%** of residents in the ward report their highest qualification level as Further Education and sub-degree Higher Education qualifications incl. HNC/HNDs, compared to **9.3%** for the Edinburgh total.

- **43.7%** of residents in the ward report their highest qualification level as Degree level qualifications or above, compared to **50%** for the Edinburgh total.

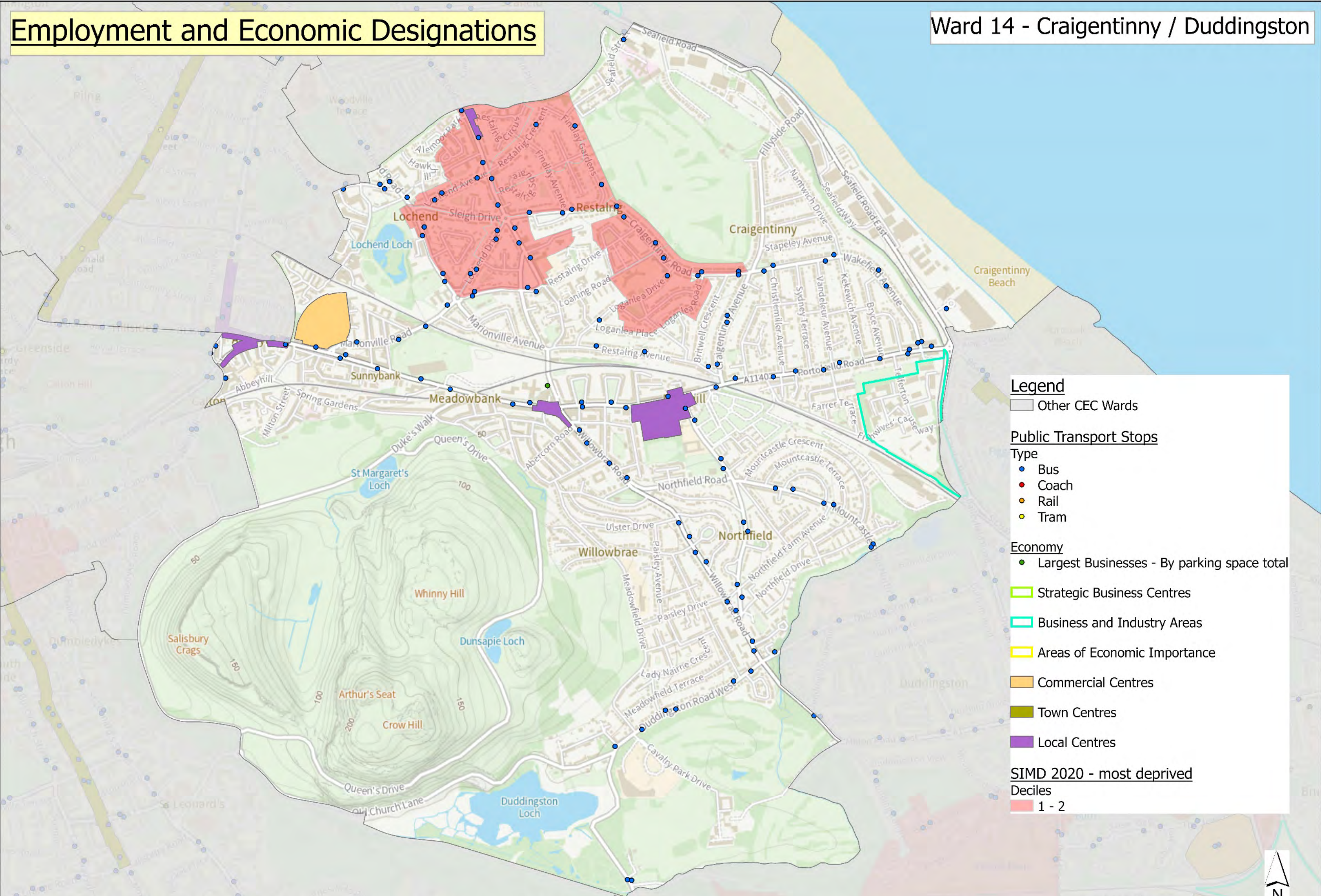
### Employment designations and centres

- The mapping below shows areas designated for Strategic Business Centres, Business and Industry and Economic Importance, alongside the network of local, town, commercial and city centres and some known large employers mapped previously.



# Employment and Economic Designations

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston





## Considerations

- A designated Business and Industry Area can be found in the east of the ward at Telferton Industrial Estate and there are a number of local and commercial centres along the central Abbeyhill-Meadowbank-Piershill corridor, reflecting its accessibility and proximity to a higher population density.
- A small local centre can be found in Restalrig but there is a lack of local centres in Craightinny, the southern part of Willowbrae or Duddingston Village.
- Most people feel positively about the opportunities for work, volunteering and training in the area.



# Transport

## Demographics

- The breakdown of the primary method of travel to work is listed below:
  - **37.4%** of the working population report mainly working from or at home, compared to **39%** of the Edinburgh total.
  - **24.4%** of the working population report driving a car or van, compared to **25.1%** of the Edinburgh total.
  - **19.1%** of the working population report travelling by public transport (bus, minibus, coach, train, underground, subway or tram), compared to **16.7%** of the Edinburgh total.
  - **4%** of the working population report travelling by bike, compared to **3.8%** of the Edinburgh total.
  - **11.8%** of the working population report travelling on foot, compared to **12%** of the Edinburgh total.
- **56.8%** of households in the ward have access to a car or van, compared to **62.3%** of the Edinburgh total.

## Car and van access and driving to work

- Areas where households have lower access to cars or vans are concentrated around Lochend, Craigmillar Meadowbank, Abbeyhill and Piershill, aligning with population density, public transport access and areas of higher deprivation.
- Use of cars for driving to work is broadly higher in the eastern part of the ward which is further from the city centre and lower in population density.

## Public transport

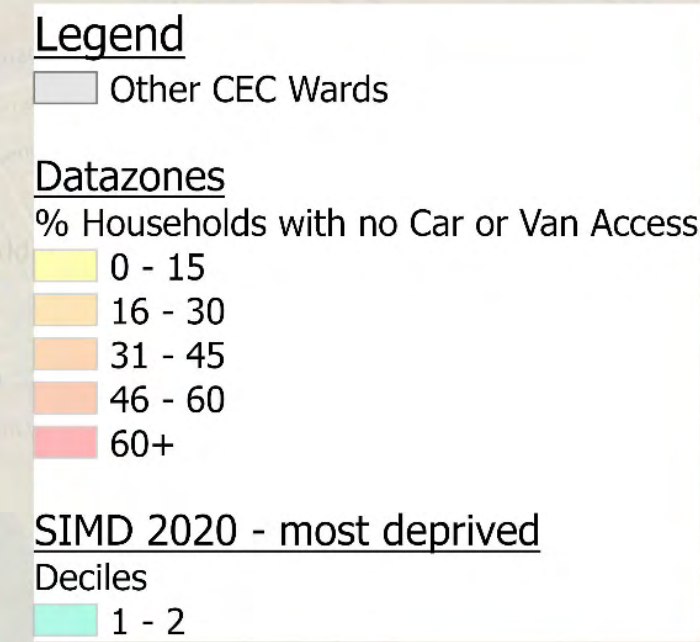
- Public Transport Accessibility Levels (PTAL) are calculated by the Council based on service patterns and stops and is mapped below from 1 (lowest level of accessibility) to 6 (the highest level). A rating of 3 or higher is considered to have a good level of access.
- Good access is concentrated along the Abbeyhill-Meadowbank-Piershill corridor and Restalrig which form compact neighbourhoods with amenities, as well as Northfield and Willowbrae to the south.
- Poor access is concentrated in Duddingston Village, in the upper parts of the Lady Nairne and Meadowfield areas, at Mountcastle and Seafield.

## Active travel

- Key active travel paths are the shared use coastal path passing through Seafield between Portobello and Leith, a major partially segregated route passing north-south between Piershill and Duddingston Village and the Innocent Railway Path, although this is not a fully protected or traffic-calmed route.
- The City Mobility Plan has identified projects in the Abbeyhill-Meadowbank-Piershill corridor, as well as Restalrig and Holyrood Park which will reduce vehicle dominance, increase space for active travel and improve pedestrian access and sense of place in these areas. A new shared-use path has been proposed on the route of the Powderhall Railway connecting this ward to Leith Walk and to the North Edinburgh Path Network.



## Ward 14 - Craigentenny / Duddingston





# Driving a car or van to work percentage

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

## Legend

Other CEC Wards

## Datazones

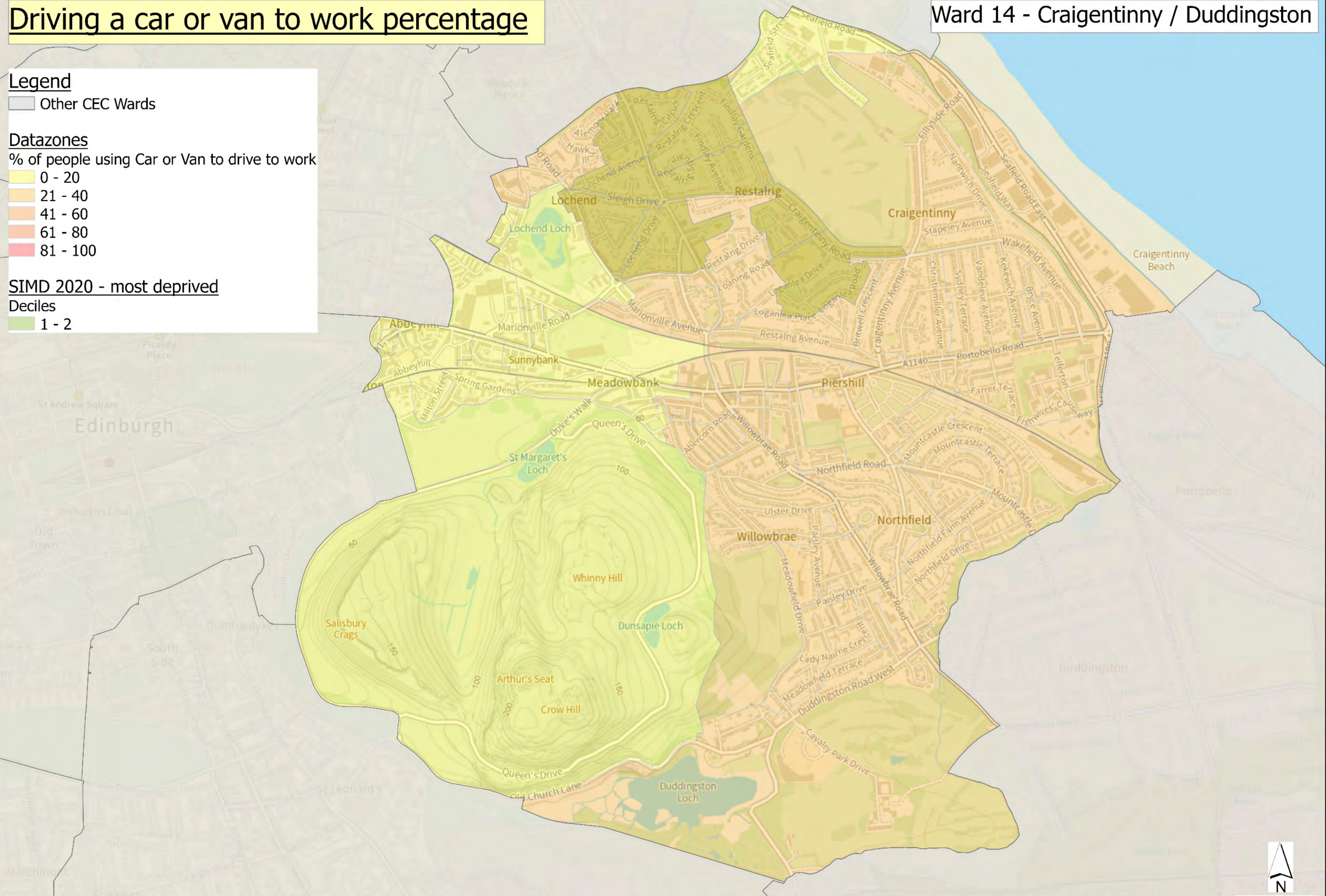
% of people using Car or Van to drive to work

- 0 - 20
- 21 - 40
- 41 - 60
- 61 - 80
- 81 - 100

## SIMD 2020 - most deprived

Deciles

- 1 - 2

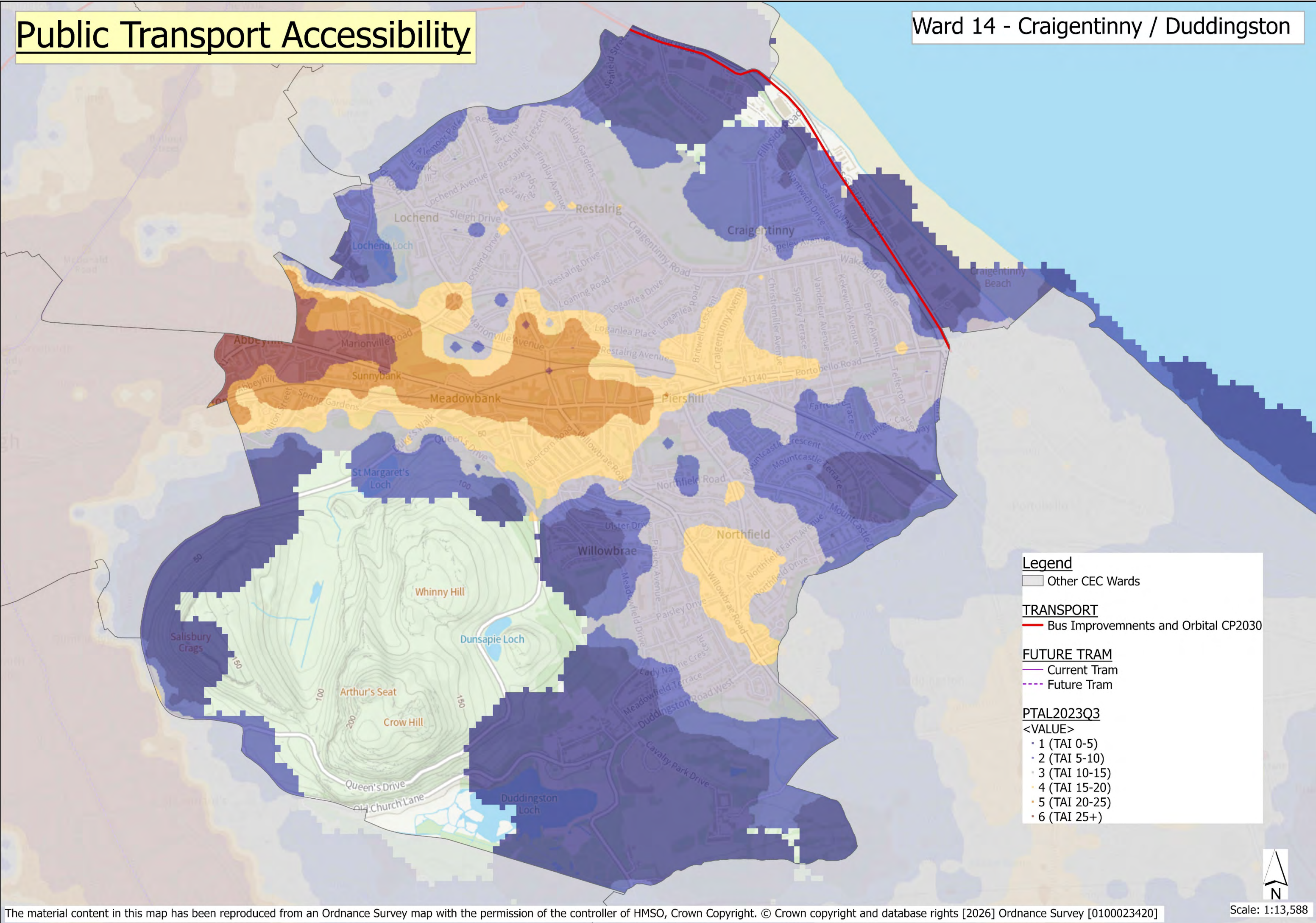


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# Public Transport Accessibility

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston





# Active Travel Mapping

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

## Legend

Other CEC Wards

## Public Transport Stops

### Type

- Bus
- Coach
- Rail
- Tram

Bus Improvemnts and Orbital CP2030

## FUTURE TRAM

- Current Tram
- Future Tram

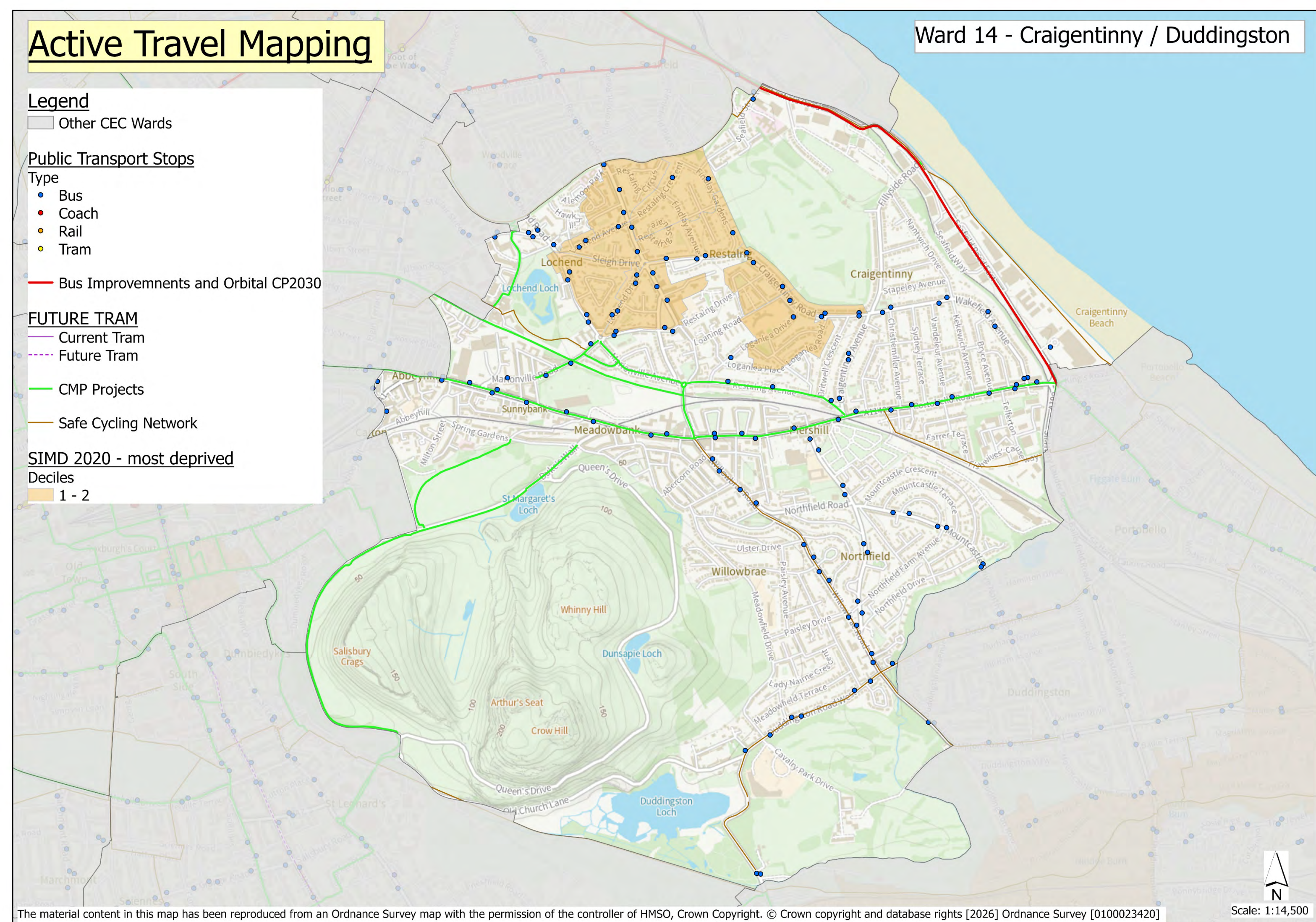
CMP Projects

Safe Cycling Network

## SIMD 2020 - most deprived

### Deciles

- 1 - 2





## Considerations

- A higher percentage of people in the ward take public transport to work compared to the Edinburgh average whilst walking and cycling remain broadly similar despite a lower level of car ownership.
- Areas with lower access to a car or van broadly line up with areas of higher deprivation as well as the western part of the ward which has a higher average population density.
- Public transport access is concentrated in the central part of the ward, along the Abbeyhill-Meadowbank-Piershill corridor as well as Northfield and Willowbrae.
- City Mobility Plan improvements are proposed to be brought forward primarily along key corridors connecting to Leith, the North Edinburgh Path Network, the city centre and Portobello.
- Public transport access and future City Mobility Plan improvements are concentrated along the Abbeyhill-Meadowbank-Piershill corridor which aligns with the main population and arrangement of local and commercial centres, as well as major facilities such as the Meadowbank sports centre.
- People have mixed views on how easy it is to walk, cycle or wheel in the area. Some feel it is easy to do so, with positive mentions of the seperated cycle lanes and narrowed roads. Others feel better dedicated and interconnected cycle lanes are needed. Some children and young people are stopped by bad weather.
- Most people find it easy to get where they need by public transport, with the area well served by buses. Some children and young people feel that the public transport takes too long and is unreliable, and as a result prefer to travel by car.
- Most people are unhappy about the traffic and parking in the area, with negative views about congestion caused by commuters passing through the area. Some feel that the Low Emission Zone (LEZ) should be extended to the area. Some people view the parking restrictions in the area as a positive and feel that there is generally enough parking.
- Children and young people largely feel safe when moving around the local area.



# Environment

## Green blue network and biodiversity

- Open spaces are well dispersed throughout the ward, with slightly less provision to the east of the ward.
- Mapping has been produced showing Edinburgh's Green Blue Network at the strategic, city-wide scale. It shows infrastructure important for water management, biodiversity and recreation. It includes both local and national designations to show how they are interconnected.
- Holyrood Park forms the largest part of the green blue network here and is of primary importance for recreation, nature and the character of Edinburgh. It forms part of a green blue corridor leading to Portobello / Craigmillar ward and on to the Council boundary.
- The coastal area of Seafield is proposed as a major component of the green blue network for recreation and biodiversity but currently contains few open spaces or other environmental designations. It is allocated for residential-led development in City Plan 2030 and a proposed masterplan is in development.

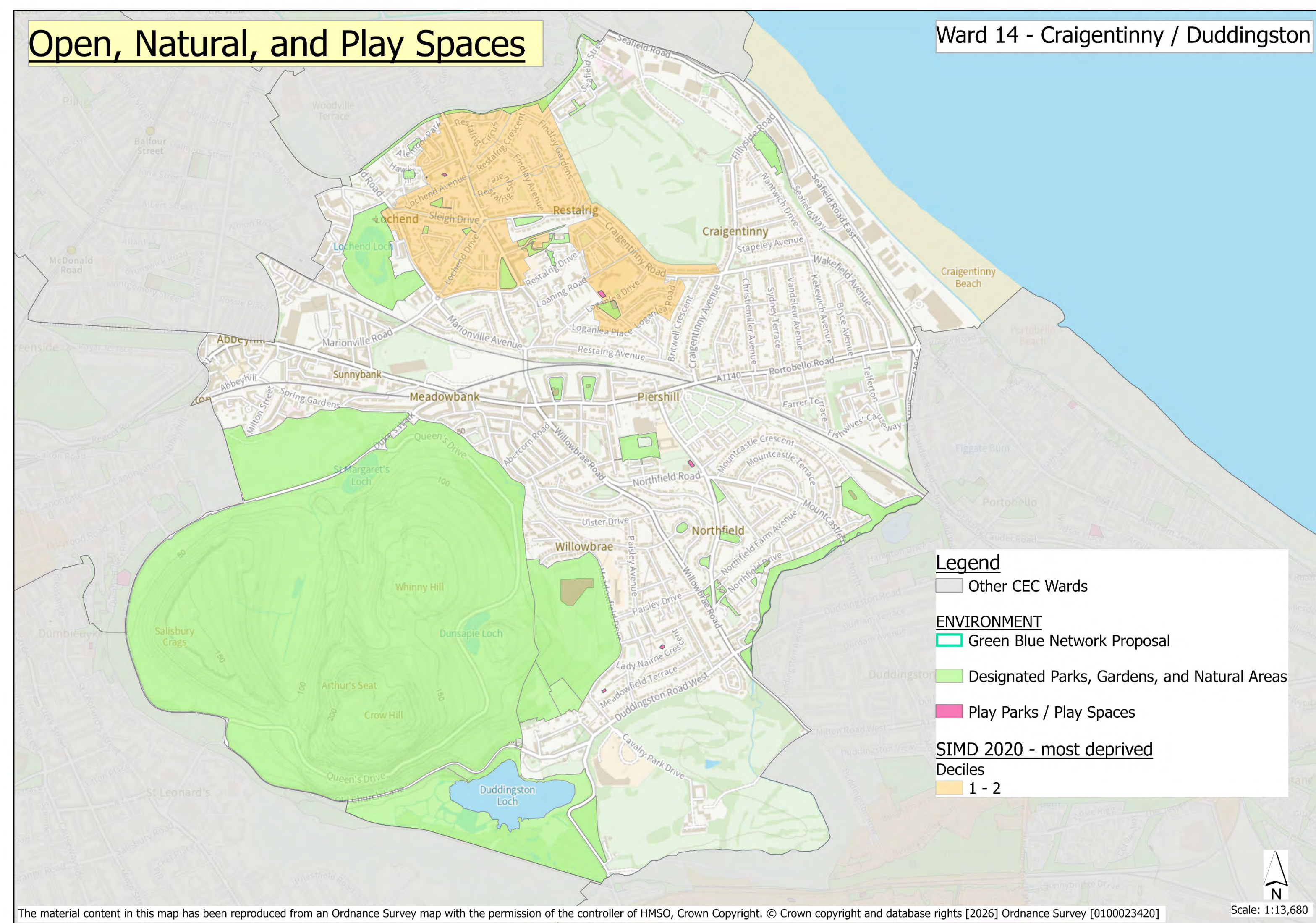
## Growing Spaces

- Growing spaces mapped include Council-run allotments and community-run growing spaces, which are displayed together to show opportunities for food and other growing in the ward.
- Council allotments are only found in various locations around Lochend, Restalrig, Piershill and Northfield. Community growing spaces are also found in Lochend and Restalrig, providing opportunities for growing within areas with higher reported deprivation, as well as other established community-run growing spaces near Duddingston Loch.
- There is a lack of growing spaces of any kind in the densely populated Abbeyhill area as well as the less dense, primarily residential areas of Craigentinny and Northfield.



# Open, Natural, and Play Spaces

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston





# Strategic Blue Green Network

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

## Legend

Other CEC Wards

## ENVIRONMENT

Green Blue Network Proposal

## Blue Network

Blue Opportunity Areas

Key River Corridor

OS Rivers

Waterbodies

Tidal Water

Wetland

Wetland HotSpot

Wetland Network

## Biodiversity Network

Protected Habitats

## GBN Ranking Biodiversity Point data

Biodiversi

Low

High

RAMSAR

Priority Habitats

GBN Accessible Open Space

Enhanced Proposed Local Biodiversity Connections

Enhanced Proposed Strategic Biodiversity Connections



# Growing Spaces

Ward 14 - Craigentinny / Duddingston

## Legend

Other CEC Wards

## ENVIRONMENT

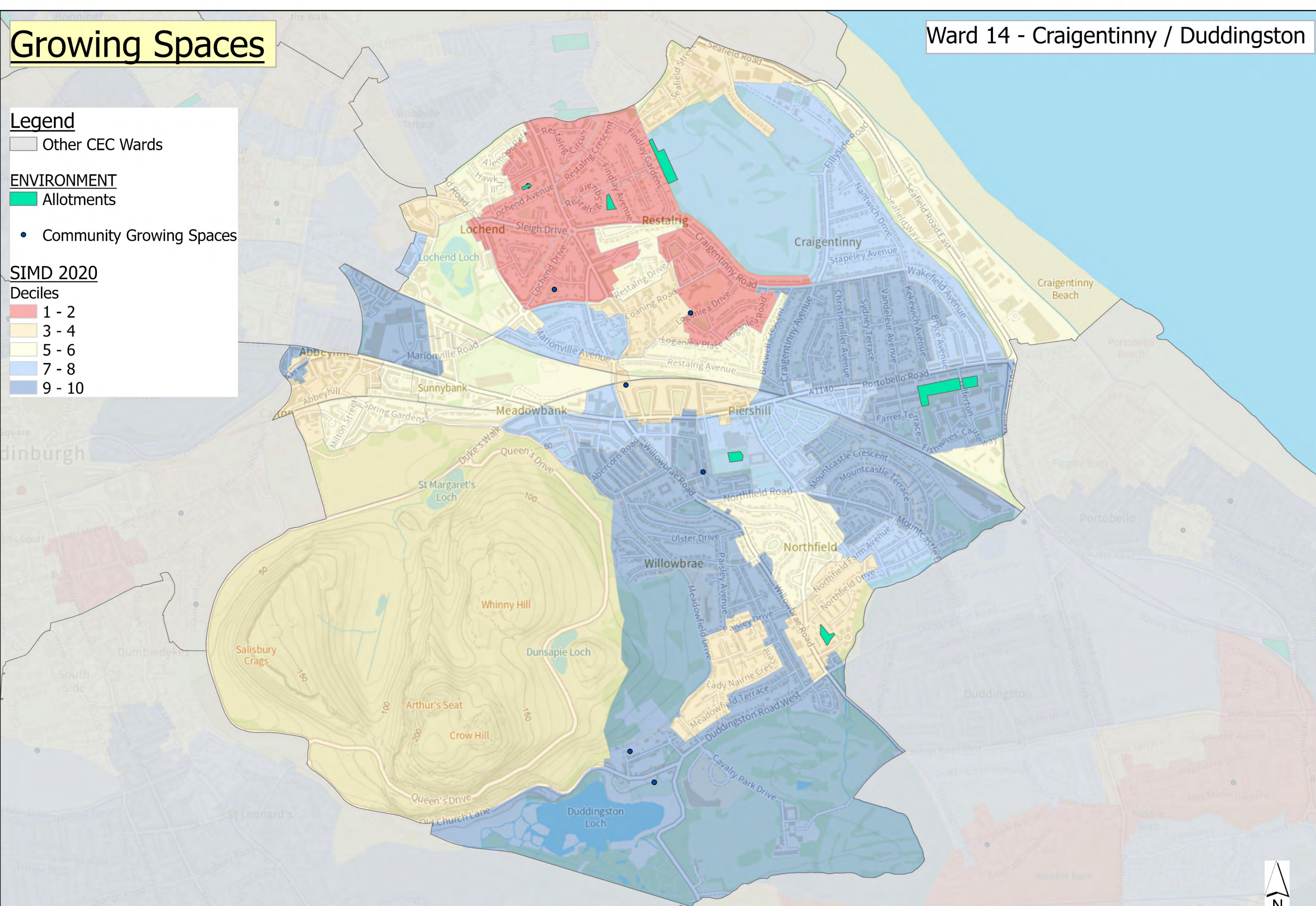
Allotments

Community Growing Spaces

## SIMD 2020

Deciles

1 - 2  
3 - 4  
5 - 6  
7 - 8  
9 - 10



Scale: 1:13,579



## Considerations

- A key existing green blue corridor begins in the ward centred on Holyrood Park providing good access to open space, water and biodiversity. Connections and enhancements are proposed around Figgate Park and Lochend.
- A Coastal Change Adaption Plan is currently under development which will assess risks and identify adaption options. A masterplan for the Seafield area of the coast is currently underway and this will incorporate coastal green space.
- Opportunities for food growing are concentrated in Lochend, Restalrig, Piershill and Northfield but are lower in the eastern portion of the ward, as well as Abbeyhill and Meadowbank where higher population density and a more compact built environment reduce the likelihood of private gardens space.
- Open spaces are well dispersed throughout the ward, with slightly less provision to the east of the ward.
- Most people are very happy with the number of green and natural spaces in the area. People particularly like Holyrood Park and Lochend Park.
- Views on access to growing spaces are mixed. Some people have multiple growing spaces nearby, while others feel that there are not enough.
- People are mostly happy with the number of green and open spaces for ball games in the area, which are seen to be good and well used. However, some feel that there should be more of these spaces and more investment in them.
- Adults, children and young people all mostly feel that there are enough parks and greenspaces for children and young people to play or hang out in. Though some people feel that there are not enough spaces for older children and teenagers.
- Children and young people have mixed views of the cleanliness of outdoor spaces in the area. Most think the cleanliness is okay. Most think that the outdoor play equipment is in good condition, though some feel that it needs replacing.
- Children and young people largely feel safe when hanging out in the local area.
- Children and young people in the area mostly feel moderately close with nature. Keeping the outdoor areas cleaner and increasing planting and greenery are seen as measures that would help nature in the area.



## Appendix

This report details the consultation and engagement information utilised when creating the Craigentinny/Duddingston Place Profile.

The document includes the area-specific results from two “what makes a good place?” questionnaires: one for public at large and another for children and young people. In addition, the report outlines the results received from previous engagements undertaken by the Council services and other stakeholders in the ward.

A total of 2649 responses to “What makes a good place?” questionnaires were received. Out of these, 799 were from public at large and 1850 were from children and young people. These were then divided and matched with one of the 17 Wards.

A total of 55 responses were received for the Craigentinny/Duddingston Ward. Out of these, 28 were from public at large and 27 were from children and young people studying at the local schools.



## Results

In this chapter, the results for the ward are further divided into seven categories – Housing, Health, Transport, Economy, Culture, Environment and Place. These categories correspond with the Place Profile structure. Each category presents the results from the public at large first and then children and young people where similar questions were asked.

### Housing

#### Public at large

##### How happy are you with your home?

- 7 Very happy
- 16 Happy
- 2 Neutral
- 3 Unhappy
- 0 Very unhappy

##### If you could change one thing, comments

- Bigger place
- Different area/better neighbours

##### How well do the homes in your area meet the needs of people living there?

- 4 Very good
- 13 Good
- 8 Neutral
- 1 Bad
- 2 Terrible

##### Homes in the area, comments

- **Good:** Mix of flats, lots of modern housing and investment into housing improvement.
- **Bad/change:** Housing and rent are too expensive. Too much PBSA, short term lets.

##### What is your area like for the shops and services you need?

- 12 Very good
- 11 Good
- 2 Neutral
- 3 Bad
- 0 Terrible

##### Shops and services, comments

- **Good:** Groceries nearby. Some shops and services in the area.
- **Bad/change:** More services and more healthier food options.

##### Thinking of your local shops and services, do you think there is too much of anything?

- 13 Yes
- 13 No
- 2 Don't know

##### What there is too much of, comments

- Vape shops, barbers.



### Edible Estates: Community Adaptation Planning – Lochend (2025)

- Many live in ageing flats with poor conditions.
- Poor housing conditions leading residents to health issues due to damp and mould
- High energy bills and fuel poverty.
- Residents would like to see the introduction of renewable energy sources.

### Meadowbank Masterplan (2018)

- No student accommodation or hotels - community not transient population
- No student flats or hotels, no commercial, low density, colony type housing
- Accessible bike storage.
- Concern over road safety and traffic pollution.
- There is a desire to move away from cars once the correct infrastructure is created

### Children and Young People

#### Are you happy with your home (the building)?

- 16 Yes
- 9 It's OK
- 0 It's not good
- 1 It's bad

#### If you could change one thing, comments

- Having a bigger place
- Being in a house, not a flat

#### Do you have all the shops and things you need near your home?

- 2 Too many
- 19 Right amount
- 5 Not enough
- 0 None

#### Shops and things, comments

- Not many things missing, some support for a bigger range of shops and food places.

### Health

#### Public at large

#### What is your area like for the healthcare facilities you need?

- 2 Very good
- 15 Good
- 6 Neutral
- 4 Bad
- 1 Terrible

#### Healthcare facilities, comments

- **Good:** Practices in the area/nearby/walking distance.
- **Bad/change:** Chemists and dentists are lacking in the area.

### Edible Estates: Community Adaptation Planning – Lochend (2025)

- Value green spaces for wellbeing.
- Addition of more trees, wildflowers, orchards.
- Concern about damp and mould in homes.
- Desire for better mental health and outdoor activity spaces.



## Transport

### Public at large

#### How easy is it to walk, cycle or wheel to places you need and want to go to?

- 6 Very easy
- 8 Easy
- 4 Neutral
- 8 Difficult
- 2 Very difficult

#### Walk, wheeling, cycling, comments

- **Good:** Generally good for walking. Separated cycle lanes is a positive. New additions of cycle lanes/road narrowed and traffic lights added is positive.
- **Bad/change:** Better dedicated and interconnected cycle lanes.

#### How easy is it to get to where you need or want to go by public transport?

- 7 Very easy
- 12 Easy
- 6 Neutral
- 2 Difficult
- 1 Very difficult

#### Public transport, comments

- **Good:** Lots of buses with routes to City Centre. Buses to Portobello and Leith too.
- **Bad/change:** Routes across the town not to/through city centre.

#### How do you feel about the traffic and parking in your area?

- 0 Very happy
- 7 Happy
- 7 Neutral
- 8 Unhappy
- 6 Very unhappy

#### Traffic and parking comments

- **Good:** Parking restrictions are positive. Generally enough parking in the area.
- **Bad/change:** Too much traffic in the area. Often congested and used for commute.

### Edible Estates: Community Adaptation Planning – Lochend (2025)

- Good bus and cycle links to the city/seaside.
- Improved maintenance of walking and cycling paths
- Safer walking/cycling routes.
- Need more EV charging points and e-bike options/ charging facilities
- Accessible bike storage.
- Concern over road safety and traffic pollution.
- There is a desire to move away from cars once the correct infrastructure is created.

### Meadowbank Masterplan (2018)

#### Pedestrian paths:

- Closed to vehicles, high quality route through existing bridge to Restalrig
- Loads of high-quality pedestrian routes (not shared surfaces)
- Make London Road permeable to pedestrians
- Car-free
- Overlooked, not in hidden place
- good, safe quick crossing for pedestrians across London Road
- Wishaw terrace? low car /pedestrianised if possible
- Emphasis on active travel
- Pedestrians should be at start as well as designing
- place for all ages-not just small children.
- Connecting to existing active travel routes is important
- Permeable site-paths to connect Craiginny to Meadowbank

#### Cycle paths:

- Closed to vehicles, high quality
- Safety from Portobello
- Route through existing bridge to Restalrig
- Car-free
- Loads of high-quality cycle routes (not shared surfaces)
- Make London Road permeable to people using bikes
- Protected on London Road (section)
- 2-way on 1-way street
- Alternative to London Road
- good, safe quick crossing for cyclists across London Road
- Link to potential cycle path along powder hall railway line
- In the heart of site and away from edges
- Cycle paths



### **Lochend and Easter Road - walking, wheeling and cycling improvements (2022)**

- 57.6% of respondents think the Moray Park Terrace to Lochend Butterfly Way is either poor or neither good or bad for walking.
- 40.9% of respondents think the pathway is poor for wheeling and 35.5% of respondents think the pathway is poor for cycling
- The most common reason: 34% said it is too narrow, followed by blind bend, personal security, insufficient lighting and rubbish

### **Smokey Brae Improvements**

- The improvements for pedestrians were raised as a key benefit of the proposals.
- Respondents welcomed the improvements to personal safety that the proposals will provide.
- The benefits that the proposals would have for people cycling was raised.
- Requests that the project go further to better connect to the infrastructure at Jock's Lodge and consider the project as part of the wider network.

Of the 49% of respondents who opposed the proposals and provided comments, they were primarily against the introduction of the proposed one-way system for southbound motor vehicles on Smokey Brae and the impacts that this change may cause. As presented and discussed in more detail above the main themes drawn out from the consultation feedback were as follows:

- The concern regarding emergency service response times;
- General disagreement with the proposals;
- Traffic displacement;
- Increased congestion;
- Increased journey times; and,
- Supportive of the projects aims in principle but requested that the proposals should be more ambitious.

### **Easter Road and Albion Road junction**

- 51% of respondents think that the current conditions for walking and wheeling at the junction at Albion Road and Easter Road are poor.
- Most common issues about the current conditions of the junction: narrow footpath, insufficient protection for cyclists.
- General comments - too much parked traffic, no cyclist priority green lights, the uneven surface of the pavement, more disable parking spots, more bins, ULEZ

### **The path connecting Moray Park Terrace to Lochend Butterfly Way**

- Safety issues, poor lighting, too narrow, unsegregated cyclists, uneven surface mentioned by a wheelchair user

### **Children and Young People**

**We know that walking, cycling, wheeling are great ways of getting around – it's good for you and good for the environment. Is there anything that stops you from getting around this way?**

- Bad weather stops me and too far/takes too long.

**Public transport (buses, trams and trains) is great as it can reduce the number of cars on the road. What do you think about public transport in your area?**

- Prefer to go by car instead, not always on time and takes too long.

**There is a tram that goes from the Airport to Newhaven. Do you think a tram line from Granton to the Sick Kids Hospital, going through the city centre, is a good idea?**

- 13 Yes
- 0 No
- 12 Don't know
- 1 Don't care



## Economy

### Public at large

#### How are the opportunities for work, volunteering and training in your area?

- 0 Very good
- 12 Good
- 10 Neutral
- 4 Bad
- 1 Terrible

#### Work, volunteering and training, comments

- **Good:** Don't know.
- **Bad/change:** Residential area with little education opportunities or offices.

#### Edible Estates: Community Adaptation Planning – Lochend (2025)

- More local businesses, to create a stronger sense of connection
- Retrofit schemes could provide training and upskilling in trades.
- Renewable energy installation supports jobs and lowers costs.

## Culture

### Public at large

#### How good are the spaces and opportunities where you can meet up with friends and other people?

- 4 Very good
- 11 Good
- 7 Neutral
- 3 Bad
- 3 Terrible

#### Spaces to meet people, comments

- **Good:** Cafes, bars, etc. Parks in the area. Some community-run spaces.
- **Bad/change:** Need free sheltered spaces to meet people. More benches outside.

#### How is the community space in your area?

- 3 Very good
- 10 Good
- 7 Neutral
- 4 Bad
- 2 Terrible

#### Community spaces, comments

- **Good:** Sports centre and parks in the area.
- **Bad/change:** Addition of a community space in the area.

#### Edible Estates: Community Adaptation Planning – Lochend (2025)

- Need more indoor community spaces and meeting hubs.
- Requests for better sports facilities and safe play areas.
- Desire for park upgrades and local pride projects.
- Call for more public cleansing and litter bins.
- Concerns over dog fouling in shared spaces.
- More recycling points and education on waste reduction.
- Interest in community gardens and shared growing spaces.
- Support for more local events and youth activities.

#### Meadowbank Masterplan (2018)

##### Community uses:

- Pop-up cafes
- Local business
- Parks, Health, Sports
- Community Arts festivals, similar to Abbeyhill colonies

##### Community amenities

- cinema, library, affordable
- housing, council housing
- nursery/play park/dr
- No major retailers-local businesses only
- Community gardens x2
- More sports facilities
- Community centre
- Library
- Cinema
- Arts studios



## Smokey Brae Improvements (2022)

When asked what respondents would like the new public amenity space that the proposals would reclaim from the carriageway to be used for, the most popular selection of the options given was the introduction of Wildflower Planting. This was followed by the Community Garden, Planters and sitting options which all had a similar level of support.

## Children and Young People

### If you go out to play, socialise, or hang out, where would you go?

- Friend's house, playgrounds and food and drink places.

### Are there enough activities, community clubs, and groups for young people to do within your local area?

- 6 There are plenty
- 13 There are a few
- 2 There are some, but I do not like them
- 1 Yes, but they cost too much
- 3 None that I know about

### What clubs are missing / would you like to see in your area?

- More/better range of sports and active clubs.

### Are there enough things for you to do on your weekends and holidays?

- 17 Yes
- 8 Sometimes
- 1 No
- 0 Don't know

### There are many free art galleries and museums in Edinburgh. Do you go to any of them?

- 1 Often
- 10 Sometimes
- 7 Very rarely
- 8 Never

### If you selected 'Never' or 'Very Rarely', tell us why

- Boring/not interested and hard to get to.

## Environment

## Public at large

### How happy are you with the number of green and natural spaces in your place?

- 15 Very happy
- 12 Happy
- 0 Neutral
- 1 Unhappy
- 0 Very unhappy

### Open and natural spaces, comments

- **Good:** Holyrood Park nearby. Other parks in the area.
- **Bad/change:** Less littered.

### What is the access to growing spaces like now?

- 0 Very happy
- 4 Happy
- 18 Neutral
- 1 Unhappy
- 5 Very unhappy

### Growing spaces, comments

- **Good:** Two nearby.
- **Bad/change:** Not enough.

### Climate change, comments

- Heat and hotter summers. Flooding.

### How would you rate the number green and open spaces in your local area to play ball games such as football, cricket, rugby, golf, basketball, tennis, bowls etc.?

- 5 Very happy
- 7 Happy
- 10 Neutral
- 1 Unhappy
- 2 Very unhappy

### Ball game spaces, comments

- **Good:** Good and well used facilities/areas in the ward.
- **Bad/change:** More spaces and more investment in them.



**How happy are you with the number of green and open spaces for children and young people to play and hang-out around in your area?**

- 6 Very happy
- 9 Happy
- 7 Neutral
- 1 Unhappy
- 2 Very unhappy

**Outdoor play spaces, comments**

- **Good:** There are some in the area. Parks are in the area.
- **Bad/change:** Not enough space for older kids/teens. The existing play areas are not well maintained – dirty, not enough lightning, no toilets.

**Meadowbank Masterplan (2018)**

- Protect the trees, Wildlife is important, Consider the environment
- Community natural play - Figgate Park as a good example
- More trees and plants to create wildlife corridors connecting all green spaces
- green space to encourage community to come together and for “free” physical activity alongside new facility
- Community gardens
- green corridors connecting green areas
- Outside tennis courts (to replace the ones burned down)
- Swing parks for children, green spaces with seats for adults, space crossings-places for all
- Keep lots of trees! Entrance/ exit bottom of Smokey Brae
- Keep as much green spaces as possible? cycle paths, sitting areas not all play parks-meet needs of adults too
- Accessible for all non-motorised transport? lots of lightning and nights for safety
- More sports
- Playgrounds x2
- Green spaces

**Lochend and Easter Road - walking, wheeling and cycling improvements (2022)**

Features mentioned when asked about the proposed pocket parks: better signage, lighting improvements, wildflowers, UK tree species, better surfacing and a bird/bat nest were all mentioned. Furthermore, respondents raised concerns regarding there being too much rubbish on the path and better maintenance would be required. There were further concerns regarding the benches encouraging antisocial behaviour.

84% of respondents agreed that the greening of the Lochend Way path by providing more planting and improved fencing would improve the quality of the route.

Main issues: better maintenance, rubbish, better lighting, segregated cycle lanes, antisocial behaviour regrading benches,

**Children and Young People**

**How often do you go outside to play or hang out in your local area (not counting school times)?**

- 4 Almost every day
- 13 A few days a week
- 6 Once a week
- 3 Rarely
- 0 I don't go outdoors to play or hang out

**Are there enough good parks or greenspaces near you to play/hang out?**

- 8 Yes, there are lots
- 17 There are a few
- 1 No, there aren't enough
- 0 No, there aren't any

**What is your favourite park or greenspace in Edinburgh?**

- Lochend Park
- Holyrood Park

**Think about your favourite places for you to hang out/play. What do you like about it?**

- It feels safe, it is close to home and it is fun.

**What stops you from using the outdoors/parks more often?**

- Bad weather/too dark in winter, hard to organise meeting up with friends and not enough people to do things with.

**How could the places where you hang out be better?**

- Cleaner/less litter
- Better facilities or equipment



**Are the outdoor spaces you go to clean?**

- 1 Very clean
- 7 Clean
- 11 OK
- 4 Dirty
- 3 Very Dirty

**Outdoor play equipment**

- 14 In good condition
- 2 Needs fixing
- 1 Needs cleaned/painted
- 6 Needs replacing
- 3 There is not enough or any play equipment

**How safe do you feel when hanging out or moving around in your local area?**

- 17 I always feel safe
- 9 I sometimes feel safe
- 0 I never feel safe

**How safe do you feel when hanging out or moving around in your local area?**

- Concern about unsafe people.

**How close are you with nature?**

- 5 7 (closest to nature)
- 4 6
- 5 5
- 7 4
- 4 3
- 1 2
- 1 1 (furthest away from nature)

**What could be done to help nature in your local area?**

- Cleaner/less litter
- More planting and greenery

**Are you worried about the impact of climate change in your area? Do you want to tell us more?**

- Some concern mainly around unclean places.



## Place

### Public at large

#### How happy are you with your area?

- 6 Very happy
- 15 Happy
- 5 Neutral
- 1 Unhappy
- 1 Very unhappy

#### What would you change, comments

- Less traffic. More community space and public space improvements.

#### Any other comments

- Extend LEZ to the area.

#### Edible Estates: Community Adaptation Planning –Lochend (2025)

- Strong community spirit but need more local spaces.
- Such as all weather community spaces
- More facilities like shops, cafés, library, health and sport centres.
- Youth groups and volunteers need more support.

#### Meadowbank Masterplan (2018)

- Local amenity is important, Security is a concern, Consider the Marionville residents - Privacy and day lighting, The proposed building heights on Wishaw Terrace are too high at 7 storeys in places.

## Children and Young People

#### Is there anything else you want to tell us that we haven't asked you about?

- No responses



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