



Elgin.
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Board

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Regenerating Elgin



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Regenerating the
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Blending rich,
centuries old
heritage with
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Elgin is a vibrant hub of skills and innovation, home to a number of global and national brands.

Elgin also benefits with the proximity to RAF Lossiemouth and Kinloss Barracks, which contribute substantially to local employment.



£70M Investment into a community

Over the next decade, more than £70 million of investment will help transform Elgin into a vibrant, connected and sustainable place to live, work, study and visit. With support from the Levelling Up Fund, the Moray Growth Deal and the Elgin Neighbourhood Board, projects are regenerating the historic heart of the city while preparing it for future growth. This means more things to do, safer and easier ways to get around, new homes, improved green spaces, and fresh opportunities for learning and work. Together, these changes will strengthen Elgin's role as the commercial and cultural hub of Moray and create a community that current and future generations can be proud of.

In terms of overall growth of Elgin, there are significant housing expansions to the north at Findrassie (1500 homes) and Elgin South (2500 homes) with around 150 homes built each year to the south west at Bilbohall (370 homes).

All three growth areas have approved Masterplans in place which can be viewed at Masterplans and Development Briefs at Moray Council. As the administrative centre, Elgin will continue to see the majority of growth in Moray.

Levelling Up Fund Awards

In November 2021 following extensive consultation, the council approved the Elgin City Centre Masterplan which sets out a vision and range of projects to regenerate Elgin. The council used the Masterplan as the basis of applying for and securing £18.3M investment from the UK Government Levelling Up Fund. Some of the projects being funded include:

South Street

A contribution towards a £16m redevelopment of 4 vacant/derelict properties in South Street, immediately behind the former Gordon Arms Hotel, into 38 flats, a UHI Moray £4.3m Business Enterprise Hub and small retail units.

The site has been cleared and archaeological excavation is complete, with new build programmed to begin in Spring 2026.



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Creative Arts Centre

A project to regenerate the former Gordon Arms Hotel, into a Creative Arts Centre and bringing significant activity into the centre, directly opposite the St Giles Shopping Centre. Construction work will begin Summer 2026.

Active Travel

Implementing measures to improve crossing facilities around the Laichmoray and Edgar Road roundabouts, enhance active travel provision on Commerce Street and Lossie Wynd and to introduce traffic control measures within the centre, making it safer to walk and cycle in these areas.

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Sawmill Sites & Auction Mart

Project to alleviate flooding issues at the sawmill and auction mart sites and create an attractive greenspace. Construction will start Autumn 2026.

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Cooper Park

Investment in Cooper Park to create a café, refurbish the toilets and improve the water flow, quality and biodiversity of the boating pond with new planting. Construction complete Autumn 2026.

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Moray Growth Deal

The LUF funding complements funding from the Moray Growth Deal which is investing in a number of projects within the centre, including:

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Cultural Quarter

£22m towards a £28m project to regenerate Elgin Town Hall as a landmark community, performing arts and entertainment venue, and restore Grant Lodge as Moray's heritage, tourism and events hub.



Young People

£1.5m investment to create a STEM centre at Elgin Library is included within the overall £4.8m Early Years STEM project.

Growth Deal Funded

A skills based project is also being developed which may attract significant additional students to Elgin and Moray.



Business Enterprise Hub

The £4.3m Business Enterprise Hub which is part of the South Street redevelopment as referenced on the previous page.

Growth Deal Funded



Housing Mix Delivery

The Housing Mix Delivery project is investing in the South Street regeneration project.

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Pride in Place

Elgin is one of many towns to benefit from the UK Government Pride in Place programme, which awarded £20m to Elgin towards a range of interventions.

The Board prepared a Regeneration Plan which has been approved by the UK Government, setting out projects for the first 4 years of this 10 year programme. The Board has identified town centre regeneration as one of their priorities as well as investing in new sports, community and recreation facilities and employment and skills opportunities across Elgin.



Regeneration, high street and heritage

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- Bringing empty town centre property back into use
- Lighting in Batchen Street
- The refurbishment and extension of Grant Lodge
- Public toilets and shelter at the Elgin Sports Community Trust
- Seagull proof bins in the town centre



Housing

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- Enhancing the park at Lesmurdie
- A Town Centre Housing Grant Scheme and skills project



Health and Wellbeing

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- “Super Cooper” Park, a regional destination with new facilities, possibly including a Pump track (or in a nearby location), new inclusive and accessible play area, planting for biodiversity and space for food growing, a Sports Hub.
- A new athletics track adjacent to Moray Sports Centre
- Three more MUGA’s in Elgin
- A Nature and Nurture project to improve biodiversity in the town



Work, productivity and skills

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- The new UHI Moray Business Enterprise Hub in South Street
- Childcare provision



Transport and Connectivity

Please see projects supported under **Regeneration, high street and heritage and Safety and security.**

Education and Opportunity

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- Elgin Sports Community Trust to develop an alternative curriculum
- Developing Young Workforce for an early career awareness project

Safety and Security

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- The AYE bus project – a mobile youth support and engagement project.
- Mobile CCTV and additional police patrols
- Solar lighting along the River Lossie



Cohesion

The Board is committed to provide funding towards:

- Improving New Elgin and Bishopmill community halls
- A third sector hub
- A capital grant scheme for community groups and the third sector
- The New Elgin Link community hub





Further information and updates are available on all three funding programmes on the MyMoray website. Scan the QR code below for the website or facebook site.

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