**Community Councils**

Community councils are required to be established by local authorities. They are the most local tier of statutory representation in Scotland. They bridge the gap between local authorities and communities and help to make public bodies aware of the opinions and needs of the communities they represent. Community councils are statutory consultees under various processes, such as for planning applications.The Community Council boundaries used to create the 2022 Census Output Area lookup were downloaded from the Spatial Hub Scotland via [Community Council Boundaries - Scotland - Dataset - Spatial Hub Scotland](https://data.spatialhub.scot/dataset/community_council_boundaries-is) dated 2024-04-19.

**Attribute Info for Community Council data**

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| Attribute name | Description | Specification |
| la\_s\_code | 9-digit alpha/numeric unique ID, beginning with S (for Scotland), for the geographical area of each LA/NP. | Alphanumeric Text String. Auto-generated by Spatial Hub using current list from: [statistics.gov.scot : Standard Geography Code Register](https://statistics.gov.scot/resource?uri=http%3A%2F%2Fstatistics.gov.scot%2Fdata%2Fstandard-geography-code-register) |
| local\_authority | The LA/NP that supplied the data. | Should use the exact name as it appears in the local authority sct register. |
| cc\_name | The name of the community council | The official name of the Community Council. |
| active | Whether the community council is active or not? | Yes, No, Active, Not Active, Disbanded, 1 or 0 |
| url | A website for details about the community council | URL must be resolvable |
| sh\_date\_uploaded | Date on which the data was provided to the Spatial Hub. | Date. Auto-generated by Spatial Hub upon dataset registration. In format:yyyy-mm-dd |
| sh\_src | Unique reference assigned to the LA/NP upload file. Used for reporting any issues back to LA. | Text String. Auto-generated by Spatial Hub upon dataset registration. |
| sh\_src\_id | ID for each record per Spatial Hub upload. Used for reporting any issues back to LA/NP. | Integer. Auto-generated by Spatial Hub upon dataset registration. |