



ELECTION PROGRAMME 2025–2030 for Lindenthal

Zusammen für das Morgen

introduction

Dear people of Lindenthal,

We have a vision for Cologne-Lindenthal. We want to achieve fair climate protection, find a balance between nature and urbanity and strengthen environmentally friendly transport with a sustainable mobility policy. We want to secure social structures, create affordable housing and make our city cleaner.

We also want to attract future-oriented companies to Lindenthal and create a service-orientated administration for all citizens. We Greens are committed to enabling equal opportunities and participation for all people, advancing educational equality, defending freedom and democracy in a cosmopolitan city, promoting cultural freedom and creating a colourful and diverse Cologne for everyone.

We will continue to consistently pursue these goals in the coming legislative period - despite tight public budgets.

Our specific plans for Lindenthal are stated below. Additionally, plans can be found in the Green local election programme for the whole of Cologne.

Zusammen für unsere Veedel.

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Environment & climate

Environmental and climate protection

It's getting hotter in German cities - we're noticing that here in Lindenthal too: dried-out trees, heated squares, heavy rainfall that can't seep away because most of the ground is sealed. Cologne has set itself the target of achieving climate neutrality by 2035 - and we Greens in the Lindenthal district council want to play our part. We believe that climate protection starts at our own doorstep. That is why we are doing everything we can to make the city's major goals visible and tangible in our neighbourhood.

We want to initiate projects, get people involved and make a big difference with many small steps - for a liveable, greener and fairer Lindenthal:

- Protect and expand green spaces - as habitats, fresh air corridors and places of retreat for everyone. From the inner and outer green belt to the West green corridor and the Belvedere landscape park.
- Stop sealing - less concrete, more permeable soils. Where water can seep away, life grows.
- Green houses, green streets - we are in favour of green facades and

roofs, especially on public buildings. Not just as a beautiful sight, but as active protection against heat.

- Use solar energy wherever possible - on roofs, car parks, bus stops.
- Preserve allotment gardens - as green oases in the centre of the city, places to meet and take a deep breath.
- We are in favour of greening KVB stops and track surfaces wherever possible.



Housing & Living

Affordable housing and a city worth living in

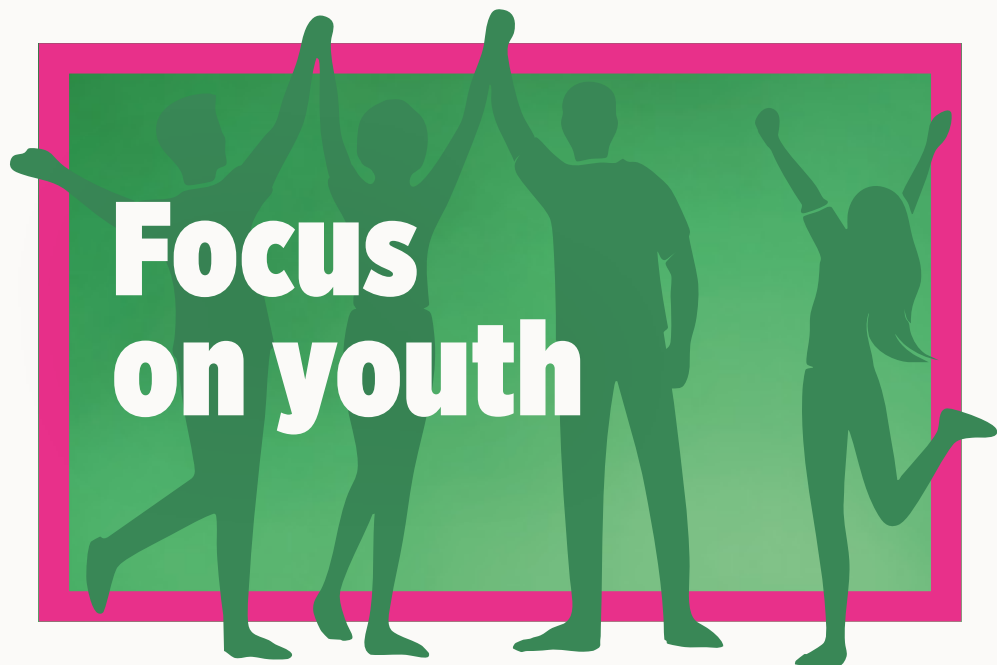
Housing shortage increases social inequality. Initial steps have been taken to improve the situation in the Lindenthal district, but much remains to be done:

- We support innovative concepts for the creation of affordable housing - e.g. by building on top of supermarkets and using vacant lots for social housing. Numerous new flats have already been built in the district as part of the vacant lots programme - we want to drive this development forward.
- We are committed to taking action against vacancies in the neighbourhood.
- We are in favour of the establishment of private and public halls of residence for students and trainees.
- Common areas in public spaces should become more attractive for all generations - through greenery, shade, seating and social usability.
- Public bookshelves and the small squares around them are lively

meeting places in the neighbourhood - we support such places of exchange and togetherness.

- More public drinking fountains help to deal with the increasing heat.
- We call for the expansion of barrier-free, clean and safe public toilet facilities.
- We support cultural events in the neighbourhood.

Our goal: liveable neighbourhoods for everyone - with quality of life, social cohesion and affordable housing.



*Focus on children, teenagers and young adults**

Children, teenagers and young adults need spaces that are tailored to the realities of their lives - for playing, learning, moving, meeting and socialising.

- We are in favour of recreational areas that are designed in an age-appropriate way: Playgrounds for children, sports and exercise facilities and meeting places for teenagers and young adults.
- Non-commercial recreational areas in public spaces should be designed in such a way that they can be used in a socially compatible way - also with regard to noise and conflicts of use.
- Exercise should be encouraged - through open spaces, refurbished sports facilities and the opening up of school playgrounds.
- Young people in training or studying need suitable forms of housing - we therefore support halls of residence and affordable housing options.

- We want to secure and expand financial resources for youth organisations.
- We make young voices heard: On the initiative of our Green district mayor, the district council decided to actively involve young people in the work of the district council. We want to secure and expand this.

Our goal: a district that takes young people seriously and offers them space, prospects and a say.

**Note: This section was developed together with representatives of the Green Youth Cologne-Lindenthal.*



Mobility in the city

Fair, safe and climate-friendly mobility is crucial for the quality of life in the neighbourhood. Our goal is for everyone in the Lindenthal district to be able to get around safely, quickly and in an environmentally friendly way - whether on foot, by bike, bus or train.

25 people died on Cologne's roads in 2023 - 14 of them as pedestrians.* These figures make it clear that more safety is needed, clear priorities for eco-mobility and a city in which everyone can move around without fear.

**Source: www.koeln.adfc.de/artikel/koelner-unfallzahlen-auch-2023-auf-weiter-hohem-niveau*

- We are committed to the consistent expansion of cycling and pedestrian traffic - with safe cycling infrastructure, barrier-free crossings, attractive footpaths and more bicycle parking spaces in the neighbourhood, including cargo bikes.
- We are committed to safe pavements and better visibility at junctions. This also includes the concept of the "free street corners" ("freie

Ecke")" and the consistent punishment of parking offences - especially at junctions, on cycle paths and in second rows.

- We are calling for better public transport timetables, including in the evening and at weekends.
- The district needs a clear prioritisation of eco-mobility: first walking, cycling and public transport - then the car.
- Routes to school must be safe and child-friendly. We want to get in touch with schools and listen to their wishes for safer routes to school.
- The outer districts also need a reliable connection to the light rail network and the centre of Cologne.
- We want to speed up the implementation of barrier-free mobility along line 13.
- The light rail lines are the backbone of public transport in the district - but are currently completely overloaded and unreliable. They urgently need to become more efficient with more capacity, better frequencies and a future-proof, barrier-free infrastructure.
- A possible expansion of the east-west axis must not be at the expense of public transport in the outer districts.

What we have already achieved in the past electoral term

- ✓ Many new school places have been created: through the expansion of existing schools, extensions and new constructions. For example, the Zusestraße grammar school in Lövenich, the Müngersdorf grammar school and the Wasseramselweg comprehensive school have been newly built in recent years.
- ✓ Many schools have also undergone general refurbishment (such as the EVT, HvB and Ostlandstraße grammar schools).
- ✓ The Kitschburg weekly market in Braunsfeld was secured.
- ✓ In order to create more sports facilities in Widdersdorf, it was decided to set up an exercise trail at the LöWi Arena.
- ✓ Bicycle stands and a public bookshelf have made Widdersdorf more attractive for residents and visitors.
- ✓ A skate park at Beethovenpark in Sülz was approved and provisionally installed.
- ✓ A decision was made to build barrier-free bus stops in Lövenich and Müngersdorf.
- ✓ A decision by the local council provides for a crossing for cycle traffic at the Aachener Straße/Hans-Willi-Mertens-Str. junction in Weiden.
- ✓ Prevention of parking on the green strip at Gleueler Bach in Lindenthal.
- ✓ Numerous cycle lanes have been created for safer cycling (Weyertal, Euskirchener Str., etc.).
- ✓ On the initiative of the Green Party, in 2025 the local council decided to establish a form of formal participation of young people in the work of the local council -- analogous to the senior citizens' representation. A corresponding statute was adopted in consultation with young people. We want to build on this success with open dialogue, project work and youth-friendly communication.

In our Veedel



Our neighbourhood-specific demands

Klettenberg

Klettenberg is a green neighbourhood with a high quality of life - but traffic problems and a lack of infrastructure are causing problems. We want

- a 30 km/h speed limit (also to reduce noise) and safe cycle lanes on Luxemburger Straße;
- the extension of line 13 while preserving the Klettenberg market and the existing trees.

Sülz

Sülz is a lively neighbourhood with many young families. At the same time, there are challenges in terms of educational opportunities, quality of life and infrastructure for children and young people. We want

- more recreational areas for young people: e.g. basketball courts, football pitches, retreats for older young people;
- 30 km/h and cycle lanes on the Gürtel;
- the redesign of Berrenrather Strasse: the current resolution should finally be implemented by the city;
- the preservation of the school site at Berrenrather Str. 488 (former Elsa-Brandström-Schule) as a comprehensive school at one location in order to secure the educational offer in the neighbourhood;
- the expansion of nursery places for children below the age of three: Sülz has the lowest supply rate in the district at just 20 per cent - only one in five children under the age of 3 gets a nursery place. Other districts are at 45%;
- upgrading neighbourhood squares: more toilets, drinking fountains, shaded areas;
- calming the traffic on Sülzburgstraße: fewer parked cars, more space for outdoor areas, defusing the particularly critical traffic situation between Münstereifeler Straße and Berrenrather Straße;
- safe cycle traffic on Mommsenstraße.

Lindenthal

The Lindenthal district forms the centre of the district with a high density of educational, leisure and recreational facilities.

- Dürener Straße needs a coherent traffic concept: more safety for cyclists, attractive quality of life for pedestrians.
- We want the installation of drinking fountains at playgrounds and other public places.

- We need more public toilets and shaded areas in central squares.
- We want more table tennis tables and sports facilities in the city forest.
- The green belt (Gleueler Wiese) must be secured.
- We continue to strive for the permanent closure of Kitschburger Straße to motorised traffic.
- A 30 km/h speed limit should apply on Aachener Straße between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. (noise protection).

Braunsfeld

Braunsfeld is located in close proximity to the city forest and the city centre. New infrastructure projects can further improve the quality of life here.

- Old commercial areas are being redeveloped as part of the planned 'Weststadt' development. We are calling for an optimal mix of living and working and green neighbourhoods in line with current standards.

Junkersdorf and Müngersdorf

Both neighbourhoods are heavily affected by traffic due to major events at the stadium. The aim here is to ensure quiet living, quality of life and education. We call for

- the expansion and consistent implementation of the resident protection concept. This is particularly relevant for events at the Rheinenergie Stadium - they regularly lead to chaotic traffic and parking situations in Junkersdorf;
- the realisation of a district library in the west of Cologne;
- more bicycle parking spaces at the Technologiepark S-Bahn station.

Weiden

The district needs good public transport connections, safe transport routes and attractive places for young people. We Greens are in favour of

- a 5-minute interval on the tram line 1;
- improving the situation for pedestrians at the Weiden Zentrum light rail stop and the connection to bus lines;
- accelerated expansion of the Weiden-West P+R car park;
- the realisation of the local recreation area Grünzug West;
- improvements for cycle traffic through cycle lanes, including on side roads;
- the creation of attractive leisure facilities for young people (e.g. football pitch, streetball, youth bench);
- ensuring that the district sports centre is open to the public.

Lövenich

Lövenich is a neighbourhood heavily characterised by commuter traffic. We want safe routes, better frequencies and more mobility alternatives. This includes

- a more reliable frequency of the S-Bahn lines, including on public holidays and in the late evening hours;
- improving road safety at Lövenich S-Bahn station: safe crossing options for pedestrians;
- better dovetailing of bus connections with the S-Bahn.

Widdersdorf

Widdersdorf has grown considerably. Transport links, school route safety and quality of life must keep pace with this growth.

Our demands:

- Construction of light rail line 4 to Widdersdorf and, in the long term, an extension into the Rhine-Erft district. The aim is to improve connections to the light rail network, especially for commuters. As a short-term interim solution, we are calling for more frequent bus connections.
- Safe routes to school between Widdersdorf, Lövenich and Vogelsang: Lighting, safe zebra crossings and cycle paths improve the safety of children and young people.
- Upgrading public spaces: Measures to improve the quality of life have already been implemented with new bicycle stands and a bookcase. We want to continue and expand such projects.
- Safeguarding the green spaces in Widdersdorf.

Unsere Bezirksvertretungs-Kandidat*innen für Lindenthal

Am 8. Mai 2025 wurden insgesamt 26 Kandidierende für die Liste der GRÜNEN Köln/Ortsverband Lindenthal gewählt: jeweils 13 Frauen und Männer im Alter zwischen 24 und 75 Jahren.

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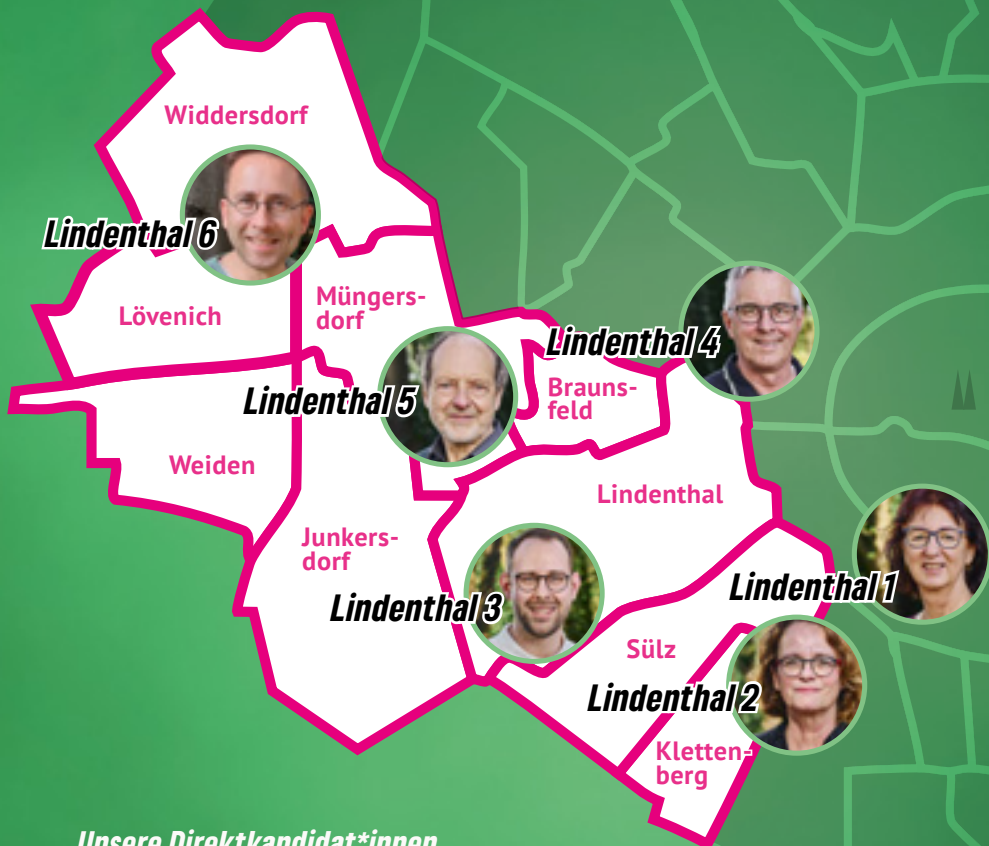
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Unsere neun fantastischen Veedel



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