

Our Community ... A Way Forward Action Plan - Aviemore, Rothiemurchus & Glenmore

THEME	AIM	ISSUES/OBSTACLES	
I. IMPROVE MAIN ROAD CROSSINGS AND REDUCE CONGESTION THROUGH CENTRE	To help traffic move more easily through the centre To increase safety of pedestrians and road users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highland Council still maintaining its not necessary • Cost - budget cuts • Delay in relocating Tesco which would improve the situation 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change Tesco crossing to a light controlled one • Push for the new Tesco to get started • Install a new light controlled crossing at Myrtlefield (away from roundabout) • Make crossing disabled friendly • Traffic warden to stop illegal parking • Sort out delivery lorry congestion at Spar, petrol station, Julian Graves, Myrtlefield • Yellow lines opposite Myrtlefield 	Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Constabulary • Highland Council • SNH re Tesco development/ survey • CNPA - planning • Tesco • Developers 	
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2. UPGRADE LEVEL CROSSING AT DALFABER	Greater safety of road and steam rail users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High potential risk of serious accident • Cost - who is responsible 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss upgrade to barriers with road and rail authorities • Enforce developer condition to pay for upgrade • Upgrade barriers 	Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highland Council • Transport Scotland • Strathspey Steam Railway • CNPA - planning enforcement • Developer(s) 	
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3. MORE NHS DENTISTS	To increase access for residents to NHS dental provision in the area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget cuts • Perceived lack of need by NHS Highland • Public lack of knowledge on how to access NHS provision through the waiting list 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start dialogue with NHS Highland over more provision in Aviemore • Gain evidence of need from the community 	Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS Highland • Highland Council? 	
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4. REDRESS PERMANENT vs 2ND / HOLIDAY HOME IMBALANCE	<p>To look at what can be done to increase the percentage of permanent occupancy of housing in the area.</p> <p>To enable the local population to have access to a greater number of affordable accommodation in the area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognising difference between 2nd and holiday homes • Difficulty of controlling market • Lack of permanent residents reduces the sustainability of communities • Locals outbid on prices • Too much unsustainable development 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define affordable housing via a formula relating to average wages in the area. • Promote importance of getting locals' names on the housing register to show need and obtain funding (word of mouth) • Highland Council to make it easier for individuals to rent out their properties-empty houses. Provide a 'carrot' to homeowners • Rural housing leasing scheme. Agencies to promote this and encourage people to enter into the scheme • Lobby HC, CNPA, MSPs, MPs to improve chances of getting mortgages on properties with restrictions • Lobby CNPA to do all they can to support local/affordable 	<p>Community Council</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CNPA - planning • Highland Council - planning • Housing Associations • Highland Small Communities Housing Trust • Developers 	

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<p>housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tighten up on contravention of 2nd home deeds when they are run as a business ie holiday lets. This is a change of use.			
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<p>5. CHEAPER/BETTER INTEGRATED BUS & TRAIN LINKS FOR WORK/LEISURE TO INVERNESS/CENTRAL BELT</p>	<p>To improve public transport</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Often services are poorly integrated and not frequent enough • Accessibility for all required • More affordable pricing/concessionary fares to Inverness eg 10 journey ticket • Poorer services when schools are closed • Poor service in the evenings • Better service for cyclists/bike transport • Route consistency eg all local buses via Dalfaber 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus & train operators need to integrate services • More timetables required at stops - make them larger ie legible • Improve information on return times. Better IT to find this out • Difficulty of supply/demand. Need to improve service and encourage people to use it with confidence 	<p>Community Council</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stagecoach • Scot rail • Network Rail • Transport Scotland • CNPA • Highland Council (Power through subsidy) • Citylink • National Express • Community Transport Company • Community Planning Partnership • Hi Trans 	
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6. JOB CREATION SCHEME TO HELP UNEMPLOYED (COMMUNITY WORK)	To help unemployed people find more jobs and of greater variety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Job Centre in Aviemore • Everything is based in Inverness • There is no incentive to get a service centre (under minimum wage) 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More vocational qualifications need to be provided through the area's Learning Centres, giving training and guidance • Inverness College to run more vocational training suitable for area including outdoor courses • More work to be done in the community eg river bank • Investigate forms of suitable employment 	Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highland Council • Inverness College/UHI • Learning Centres 	
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7. START THE NEW TESCO/BIGGER SUPERMARKET WITH CLOTHES ETC	To improve locals and visitors shopping facilities and range of goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delays in planning process • Tesco dragging their heels - not in their interests / no urgency 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lobby Tesco executive re urgency from local population to get store started • Lobby Tesco to ensure wider range of goods are included in new store • Lobby Tesco to provide petrol station as part of development • See further actions at Point 1. 	Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tesco plc • SNH re Tesco development/ survey • Developers • CNPA - planning • Highland Council 	
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9. COUNSELLING FOR DRUG/ALCOHOL REHABILITATION	To improve quality of life for drug and alcohol abusers by providing rehabilitation services and information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of awareness of current service level provided • Not enough proactive courses locally especially in schools 	
ACTION	COMMUNITY ORGANISATION	AGENCIES INVOLVED	INDIVIDUAL CONTACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate better approaches to educating people about effects of drug/alcohol abuse • Encourage agencies to support local YP more with information and counselling services 	Community Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highland Alcohol & Drug Partnership • Highland Council • GP's 	
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<p>10. OPEN/FREE ACCESS TO CAIRNGORM SUMMIT</p>	<p>To provide open and free access to all at the Cairngorm summit, all year round</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Railway needs to make a profit • Perceived environmental impact (negative) by some people/groups • Safety issues 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lobby SNH and Highland Council as signatories, HIE, Scottish Government, CNPA as access authority, RSPB • To investigate the possibility of enabling parascending and mountain bike tracks. 	<p>Community Councils Aviemore Business Association Cairngorms Business Partnership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Highland Council • SNH • CNPA • HIE • RSPB • Cairngorm Mountain Ltd 	
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HIGH PRIORITIES (in order)	MEDIUM PRIORITIES	LOW PRIORITIES
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve main street crossings and congestion 2. Upgrade level crossing at Dalfaber 3. More NHS Dentists 4. Redress permanent vs 2nd/holiday home imbalance 5. Cheaper/Better integrated bus & train links for work/leisure to Inverness/Central Belt 6. Job Creation scheme to help unemployed (community work) 7. Start new Tesco/bigger supermarket with clothes etc 8. Youth Centre & activities for 12-20 year olds 9. Counselling for Drug/Alcohol rehabilitation 10. Open/Free access to Cairngorm summit 11. More rented/affordable accommodation to help keep workforce in the area 12. New indoor ice/sports centre 13. Bigger Health Centre with weekend opening hours 14. More competitive rents for retail/office/workshop start ups 15. Better snow clearing service (especially for the elderly) 16. Secondary school for Aviemore area 17. Allotments 18. More activities for the over 50's 19. More recycling with kerbside collection (plastics/cardboard) 20. Car scheme extended to Aviemore 21. More benches to enjoy the views 22. Play parks/football field 23. Make older housing more energy efficient (access to grants) 24. Bigger industrial estate with cheaper rents 25. More diversity of shops (non sports) 26. Better car parking in centre of village 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better access to Spey for fishing • Riverside footpath • 2nd petrol station/Cheaper fuel • Small retirement homes for rent or purchase • More buses (evenings and 6 days) • Larger bus timetables • Better broadband/mobile coverage • Extend library size and opening hours • Information points for facilities/learning/sports opportunities & activities • More variety of educational/evening classes/learning facilities at Learning Centre • Affordable swimming • More small shops • More walking/cycle routes incl. new developments • More community space for games eg rugby, shinty • Day facility for the elderly • Training/support for people wanting career change • More buses up to Cairngorm Mountain • More childcare facilities • More apprenticeships - land based & tourism • Cycle racks on buses • Redevelop derelict garage site at south end of village • More sheltered housing • Nursing home 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go Karting facility • Dealing with dog fouling • Replace/Increase trees to screen houses from A9 noise • Get a 2nd supermarket • Part pedestrianised centre • Traffic Warden • Stop speeding at Aviemore north end • Make more use of village green • BMX bike area • More rubbish bins & street cleaning • Lorry & bus park out of centre • Complete and integrate the Resort • Social Club with trips and events • More winter buses to ski area • Job Centre • Reduce rates to encourage smaller, individual shops • Pub in Dalfaber • Scout/Guide Hut • Entice companies to move here, creating higher paid jobs • Bring back Meals on Wheels • Reduce car park charges at Loch an Eilein • Upgrade village entry signs • Post box in Dalfaber area • Safeguard Park from housing estate development • Increased police presence at weekends • Community noticeboard in Rothiemurchus/Glenmore • More non sports clubs • Shuttle bus around Aviemore including new developments