

QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR BALLATER & CRATHIE CC AREA

1. Are you answering questions on behalf of:

	Base	No reply	Yes	No
household?	189	4	181	4
main residence?	181	15	154	12
business?	189	62	16	111

2. Is there a need for more housing in your area? a) Open market housing

		No reply	Yes	No	?
open market housing to rent	189	19	78	84	8
open market housing to buy	189	27	60	94	8

2. Is there a need for more housing in your area? b) Low cost/affordable

		No reply	Yes	No	?
low cost housing to rent	189	16	119	52	2
low cost housing to buy	189	32	98	54	5
low cost housing to build	189	42	76	59	12

3. Where should housing be developed?

		No reply	Yes	No	?
within towns or villages	189	28	122	33	6
around towns or villages	189	30	92	62	5
in open countryside	189	47	18	118	6

4. Is there scope for new business sites within the community?

Missing	No reply	51
Scope for new business sites	Yes	52
	No	54
	?	32

5. Are there areas which should be safeguarded from development?

		No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified
community green spaces	189	24	147	10	7	65
parks/playing fields	189	18	163	5	3	74
paths	189	24	146	10	9	60
wildlife habitats	189	29	136	9	15	47
viewpoints/views	189	33	137	7	12	48

6. Do any of the following facilities need to be created or improved in your area?

		No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified
roads	189	32	78	68	11	60
footpaths	189	36	88	54	11	63
cycle paths	189	43	66	63	17	37
waste water treatment	189	56	43	60	30	28
water supply	189	54	26	79	30	19

car parking	189	43	41	93	11	33
recycling	189	45	70	64	10	41
community facilities	189	39	72	65	13	61

7. Are there any specific environmental improvements required within your area?

	Base	No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified
tree planting	189	53	52	68	16	36
landscaping	189	66	40	65	18	28
walls and fences	189	61	35	73	20	29
wildlife habitat	189	65	41	52	30	30
pathways	189	55	60	52	20	45

8. Are there any buildings which need to be preserved, listed...within your area?

		No reply	Yes	No	?	specified
Buildings	189	62	59	32	33	53
landscape features	189	86	27	40	36	20
archeological sites	189	78	34	38	37	27
historical sites	189	75	43	36	34	32

9. Are you in favour of (sensitively sited) renewable energy developments?

		No reply	Yes	No	?	location specified
commercial wind farms	189	23	33	124	9	16
commercial HE	189	35	25	117	12	6
commercial biomass	189	32	35	105	17	12
community wind turbines	189	21	77	82	9	15
community HE	189	36	68	69	16	12
community biomass	189	26	87	54	21	16

11. What do you feel makes your community a special & distinctive part of the CNP?

What makes your community a special part of the CNP?	people	57
	landscape	135
	buildings	17
	natural environment	122
	wildlife	71
	cultural heritage	31
	outdoor activities	50
	tourist attractions	39
	recreation facilities	13
	history	58
	quality of life	109
	social events	16
	community life	39

12. Are there wider environmental, cultural or sustainability issues

	Base	Missing			Description	
		No reply	Yes	No	?	
Environmental	189	85	61	13	30	47
Cultural	189	108	27	22	32	18
Sustainability	189	100	50	14	25	32

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4. Possible sites available (S)

Business Park	2
Craigview Business Centre	1
East of Craigview Road next to Tullich Road	1
Existing local authority building	1
Field next to existing business units	1
Existing industrial units (long unoccupied)	2
Near Invercauld Park new houses	1
Old Cinema, Queens Road	7
Old School Tullich Road	9
Around Roads Depot	1
Old sawmill	1
Old tourist office	1
Village outskirts/existing uncared for properties/other	4
Station Garage	1
Steadings	1
South Deeside Road/Tullich	2
other	10
in village	3

Other:

Old school. old picture house, plot Craigveiw Rd

all in Ballater-old school-Victoria & Albert halls. old cinema,

Pass of Ballater - road width

empty unused premises/old tourist office in Braemar/premises at foot of chapel brae

Restore station garage to active service - an asset to the village. Toilets to be restored at games park

Balmenach - at back door of Craigendarroch - protect from north winds and climate

A new supermarket - beside the sky and laundry where lorries wouldn't block the roads.

sites available

Unfortunately none available

old school, old cinema, Viewfield Rd shed are all obvious examples

4. What problems face business (P)

Access (road)/infrastructure/transport costs/remoteness	2
Broadband	3
Bureaucracy/tax/red tape etc (national level)	3
Land/property ownership/lack of sites/development land	3
Local government regulations/planning	7
MBSE regulations re industrial sites etc	1
Premises -cost of rent/rates /underused	1
Staff - locals	3
Staff/tradespeople - skills	5
Staff - housing	1

Staff - childcare/other	2
Viability/seasonality/small populations	6
Other	12

There are people like myself a couple of yrs off retirement, maybe been in hotel/catering/leisure for 40yrs, could contribute a lot but doesn't seem to be any opportunities. we have enough
 Local authority red tape and conservatism, obvious and widespread corruption in local council and amongst councillors.
 water supply, skills, broadband, social stimulation for young, time, energy, H&S regulations
 Lack of broadband, lack of choice for telecom suppliers, over zealous planning restrictions making it blend in with local buildings
 no sites available
 planning restrictions need to be looked at. also some shops are hardly ever open and are taking up space that could be utilised better
 would need to cater for more than the local/visitors market
 limited local support, reliable tradesmen
 training agenda
 North sea wages, serious shortage of tradesmen esp. plumbers and electricians

4. Type of business (P)

Retail - supermarket	3
Retail - small shops/not just for tourists	3
Wood based industries/forestry	3
Home based/Cottage Industries	1
Small offices	1
Small scale businesses/crafts	1
Recreational Facilities	1

5. Green spaces area/location (S)

Along railway line	2
Around Ballater village	4
Centre of village	11
Village green	13
Church green	18
Community woodland	2
Craigendarroch Hill	2
Games field	2
Cricket park	3
Field next to games field	1
Gannanich wood	2
Monaltrie Park	6
Monaltrie Hotel	1
Field east of Monaltrie Park	4
Glen Muick	3
Golf course	3
Invercauld estate	1

Riverside walks	2
Caravan Park	1
All	3

5. Parks & playing fields area/location (S)

Monaltrie Park	41
Entrance to Ballater	1
Playing fields	7
Games park	5
Cricket pitch	3
Agricultural parks/fields around Tullich	1
All	9
Other	8
Church greens cricket park	
Ballater park could be double in size	
Monaltrie park village green	
ref to OS maps (Ex No4)	
Ballater park	
golf course and complex	
outskirts of village	

5. Paths area/location (S)

Old railway line	23
Golf course	7
Cinder path	13
All existing paths - Glen Muick - Lochnagar	1
Riverside path	9
Cambus o' May line	3
Craigendarroch	3
Pannanich	1
All existing paths	22

5. Wildlife habitats area/location (S)

All habitats/all Ballater	12
Implement proposed woodland walk	1
Ballater to Cambus o' May cycle/footpath	1
Create corridor linking to Pass of Ballater	1
Between A9 & River Dee	2
Bullick	1
Conservation area	1
Corridors in Balmoral/Easter Balmoral areas	1
Craigendarroch Hill	9
Craigendarroch Woods	3
Cailcreich Hills	2
Dalmochie	1
Fields to east of Monaltrie Park	2
Glen Gairn	1

Glen Muick	1
Glengarry Valley	1
Lochnagar	1
Moorland/woodlands generally	3
New & potential woodland NE of village	1
Old railway line	5
Pannanich Wood	4
Riverside	5
Other	1
duck ponds could do with picnic area	

5. Viewpoints area/location (S)

All/all Ballater	12
Craigendarroch Hill	13
Knock castle	1
Monaltrie Hotel	2
Approaching Ballater from Tullich	6
Bullick	1
Cambus o' May forest walks	2
Haugh walk	1
River Dee banks	3
Craigcoillich	3
Glen Darroch	1
Glenmuick	1
Glengairn	2
Craig ap t-seabhaig (TV mast)	1
Golf course	1
Lochnagar	2
View at Bridge at Gairnshiel	2
Other	7
no mobile phone masts	
area needs safeguarding from BRD, UDAT and others of that ilk.	
views eastwards from Ballater towards Tullich	
top of Braemar road	
river bank both sides of Ballater	
Pannanich, old line road	
At present tourists not encouraged to stop	

6. Roads area/location (S)

Ballater & Crathie - roads		20
All/repair potholes/surfaces/snow clearing		4
All junctions/curves/surfaces/kerbs in Ballater		9
A93 repairs/drainage/snow clearing		7
A939/improve		5
B976 Aboyne-Ballater inadequate for heavy traffic/blindspots/no fpath		4
Pass of Ballater		7
Traffic calming		10
Other		

privately owned/unadopted roads on estates
 South of Glen Shee from Bridge of Cally
 Abergeldie - Kentore - Distillery
 Dundarroch road - collapsing and dangerous drain (nr junction)
 more and improved passing places on Glen Gairn road
 Ballater to Gairnshiel road
 more road signs. white lines "double"
 enforce yellow line restrictions in Ballater
 Glen Girmoc from toll gate
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6. Footpaths area/location (S)

Old railway line/Cambus o May Line	12
Golf course	2
Cinder path	1
All existing paths - Glen Muick - Lochnagar	0
Riverside path	14
Seven Bridges Walk	3
Craigendarroch	0
Pannanich	1
Pass of Ballater	2
Polhollick to Bridge of Gairn	2
Glentruick Estate	1
Hawthorn Place to Craigview	1
Mt Keen	1
Uneven pavements	1
Lighting	1
Define/mark paths	4
Overgrown	2
Disabled access	3
Litter	1
All existing paths/Ballater circuit/woods etc	13
More paths	6
Other	7
Other locations specified	14

Other locations specified

B976 betw Dee Br & Br of Muick, many blindspots/no fpath, heavily used - unsafe - see letter
 new path along Dee from W Victoria Br to W GlenMuick house
 well defined shortcut to village blocked off, difficult for elderly to scramble over fence-locked gate-
 see letter
 river walk in Ballater complete
 path beside inds units& Hawthorn housing-lighting
 thro woods N side Ballater
 restore erosion on Broadcairn and Lochnagar
 Ballater to Cambus'o'May south side river

Caughlan path - wet quagmire after forestry vehicles
 area of the old station and station place
 small section of the river path near to the main bridge is inaccessible to less able walkers
 develop paths to include river bank walks. access to tracks shut off at Easter Balmoral and Glen
 Girnoch
 Craig Coilleach
 extension of old line between Dinnet & Aboyne

Other

B976 betw Dee Br & Br of Muick, many blindspots/no fpath, heavily used - unsafe - see letter
 all junctions/curves/surfaces/kerbs in Ballater
 "old line" circa Ballater
 remove unnatural surfaces
 Surface of old line path could be improved to make it accessible with wheelchairs and pushchairs.
 gets very muddy with rain water off Craigendarroch Hill
 prosecute cars and motorcycles for using paths
 more access to River Dee

6. Cycle paths area/location (S)

Old railway line/Cambus o May Line	12
Golf course	4
Cinder path	2
All existing paths - Glen Muick - Lochnagar	2
Riverside path	5
Seven Bridges Walk	3
Craigendarroch	2
Pannanich	2
Pass of Ballater	3
Polhollick to Bridge of Gairn	3
Glentruick Estate	2
Hawthorn Place to Craigview	2
Ballater to Braemar/A93	4
Resurface	1
Overgrown	1
All existing paths/Ballater circuit/woods etc	8
More/more continuous paths	9
Other	9
S or N Deeside beyond cycle paths	
farm gateways and crossings in wet periods	
not continuous in any way	
clean up railway line	
prosecute cars and motorcycles for using paths	
encourage people out of cars	
general maintenance	
need a lot of attention as cycling has become very popular	
already provided for by UDAT	

6. Waste water treatment area/location (P)

All areas - waste water treatment	Needs upgrading	9
	Smells	3
	Enlarge for new developments	4
	Already being upgraded	6
	Specific locations	5
	Other	3
Specific locations	Much of the old Burgh system is well outdated.	
	River Dee locally	
	half mile north of Deeside road	
	Knock cottages, Birkhall	
Other	would like to pay based on metered water use, not the value of my house already happening - should remove more of the chemicals irrigation	

6. Water supply area/location (P)

Upgrade/modernise	3	
Improve quality/colour/reduce chemicals	8	
Upgrade to cope with increasing population	1	
Specific areas mentioned	2	
Other	3	
	much private	
	being dealt with	
	I would like a meter to pay for what I use	

6. Car parking area/location (S, P)

Improver signage	6	
More central town/village/off street parking	14	
More residents parking	1	
Disabled parking	1	
Coach parking	2	
Environmental improvements	4	
Yellow lines	1	
Peak times	2	
Other	1	
Cemetery/Glen Muck burial ground	2	
Monaltrie Park	2	
Station Square	4	
Other	outside post office Aboyne (NB out of area!)	

6. Recycling facilities area/location (P)

More recycling generally	7
Paper/newspaper	1
Cardboard	11
Plastic	1
Oil/batteries	2
Garden Waste	2
Doorstep collection/domestic/free for small business	10
More bins/banks	1
Larger bins	2
Empty bins more frequently	1
Location - town/village centre	7
Other	6
Location - town/village centre	
Ballater area	
Ballater, Crathie - no facs for cardboard within Ballater	
Ballater village centre	
main car-park needs checking out	
car and coach park facing Glen Muick church	
Other	
Now excellent (though taking out 8 parking bays). more publicity should be in place soon More needs to be done to get people involved at present it's a long way from being user friendly needs to be moved from Ballater car park as people throw rubbish there and it is the first thing visitors see	

6. Community facilities area/location (S)

Community hall - update	13
Victoria & Albert Hall - refurbish/update	14
Sports Hall/leisure activities	10
Swimming pool	6
Convert old cinema	2
Convert old school	3
Convert Ballater friend centre	1
Reopen Glen Muick hall	2
Glen Tanar hall	3
Youth facilities	9
Small meeting rooms	1
Supermarket	2
Cheaper/more accessible hire/local	5
Public toilets	3
Libraries	1
Other	5
Community centre	
Halls need upgrading, properly maintained managed	

Games hall
post office sorting room too small for enlarged town
not taken over by CNPA

Q6 others (? Code in with previous questions)

Ballater Environmental Centre to be used.
Broadband infrastructure for virtual commuting, etc.
Encourage outdoor exercise eg fitness course or agility course eg Aden Country Park
somewhere for young other than hanging around in cars - see letter
Some track provision for horses to prevent damage to fps
sports hall/ pool
sports hall /swimming pool
calming measures entrance to BUA
well designed & maintained play parks
road signs eg street names are a disgrace
pavements - ramps missing, pavement missing in places, poorly planned
wet weather for tourists - pictures, dances, ancestors, card-room for elderly.
prevent more signs.
the strip of 'woodland' in Dundarroch Road which is neglected by the council which owns it.
complaints have yielded no action whatsoever.
bigger supermarket
almost every farm in Glen Gairn is surrounded by scrap vehicles and machinery
camp site
pavements are terrible due to people letting their dogs foul and not cleaning it up
more sports facilities for young people and children's groups. generally accessible venues for disabled people
upgrade all public toilets on Deeside and have reasonable opening hours
access for sailing/canoeing/rowing on Loch Kinnoch - already horse trails so why not
non-motorised activity on loch? removal of PRIVATE signs in open countryside - develop
stiles to exclude motorised access
make people aware of environmental interpretation
theatre,cinema needed
Ballater village centre could be developed along Victorian theme
cinema in queens road
alcohol--free bar for teenagers
teenage area
better disabled access
somewhere for teenagers to meet
all weather facilities for youngsters
tennis courts need refurbishing as they are used by visitors all summer
pedestrian crossing Bridge St Ballater. disabled access in all areas
Culston burn needs excavation to improve flow for fish - it often runs dry
gym or swimming pool or athletics field for the younger members of the village

7. Tree planting , where (S)

Broadleaves	10
Pines	1
Native species	2
Cut down/maintain/manage etc	5
Craigendarroch Hill	2
S Deeside- Ballater to Crathie	1
Deeside	1
Edge of games park	1
Area between Scotia home developments/new housing developments	2
Area east of/field adjoining Monaltrie Park	4
NE Monaltrie Rd - shelter belt of trees	-
Area up toTullich	1
Around industrial estate	1
Clear fell areas eg Glen Muick	1
Dannanich road	1
Old railway line	1
S side bottom Albert Road	1
Crathie	1
Cambus o' May	1
Kindarnine (?sp)	1
Village approaches	1
Commercial plantations/more diversity	3
Public places	1
All roads/car parks	2
Other	6
Woodland walk should be implemented.	
amenities development	
no more tree planting as many views are obscured	
but not next to Monaltrie Park	
community woodland project should be given CNPA backing	
protect our national woodlands. don't plant trees like on Tullich Road	

7. Landscaping, where (P)

Town/village approach	5
Town/village centre	6
Car parks	2
Picnic areas	1
Floral displays	1
Industrial areas	2
New housing estates	1
Riverbanks	1
Roadsides	2
View points	1
Other	4
discourage clear felling	

keep artificial landscaping to a minimum
 improve the mess that has been called landscaping in front of Crathie school
 only repair erosion - do not attempt to improve nature

7. Walls & fences, where (P)

Repair/maintain drystone walls/dykes	13
Maintain/ erect new fencing/deer/rabbit/capercaillie etc	8
Remove old redundant wire fencing	2
Area specified	18

Areas specified

A93 vandals have knocked holes in walls
 S Deeside Ballater to Crathie
 general boundary walls/fences in Ballater
 most roadside fences B976
 old Love rd to Bridge Garth improvement, retaining walls, resurfacing
 R bank approach to Ballater
 e & w entrance to Ballater
 around offices of BRD and UDAT
 boundaries of caravan site with village and golf course
 warehouse up from vets has a wall in a DANGEROUS state - top stones
 falling out onto path!
 roadsides
 walls on pass of Ballater need repair/improvement
 throughout Glen Gairn
 road side south side Dinnet - Balmoral
 to keep rabbits off Craighendarroch hill
 Ballater by road from Aberdeen
 fences/walls Ballater bridge - Crathie
 stronger betw Sluiemarker & playgrnd

7. Wildlife habitat, where (P) (Note: potential overlap with Q5)

All areas codes for
 where - wildlife
 habitat

Protect/maintain/manage existing areas	9
Encourage birds/capercaillie	3
Protect red squirrels	2
Control predators/pests/rabbits/grey squirrels	5
Control deer	1
Protect mountain hare	1
Areas specified	9
Other	1
tourism should be restricted otherwise the cairngorms will suffer the same fate as the Lake District which is now struggling to reduce tourist ramblers	

7. Pathways see Q5 and Q6

7. Others, where (P)

Litter	4
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Dog excrement	1
Vandalism	1
Street lighting	1
Put overhead wires under ground/electricity supply stations	2
Picnic areas needed	2
Improve moorland	1
Improve condition of river water	1
Developing well	1
Area specified	5
old cinema on Queens Rd, Ballater & old school	
council depot to be screened	
picnic area by river Old line Rd	
Clearing up litter (Deeside)	
old ford road Pannanich and track Tullich to Morven	

8. Buildings, what & where (S)

Preserve Ballater as it is/no more development	2
All old churches & kirks	3
Glen Muick Church	1
Cinema/old picture house, Queens Road	13
Old field centre	3
Bus garage	2
Old School	8
Old farm steadings, Dinnet	1
Old Station	3
Victoria & Albert Hall	8
Monaltrie Hotel	7
Buildings facing A93	1
Village Hall	2
Ballater Royal Bridge with stalagmites below	1
All bridges & footbridges around Ballater	3
Duguid's buildings	1
Rifle range	1
Tullich obelisk	1
Craigcoillach memorial	1
Curling ponds	1
Stranlea cottage	2
Tullichmarrich house and manse	1
Brenaloin	1
Coutts buildings	1
Old school, Glen Tanar	1
Other	10
get in touch with "History with boots on"	
Unnecessary railway bridge near station creates a blind summit both ways - very dangerous for pedestrians especially children.	
Ballater needs a larger co-op store which could have been built instead of the ugly houses to the east of the town	
too many to list, but all such features should be preserved and protected, that is	

surely
 what a park is about
 Glengairn church, Stranlea cottage ,Morven lodge, Gairnshiel lodge, Shenval
 cottage &
 many more
 Crathie village hall
 Crathie church
 Tenement in Deebank Rd
 Abergairn castle, AA box 472, WW2 army stabling and newfoundland mess hall
 Milton of Braiche

8. Landscape features, what & where (S)

Craigendarroch Hill & surrounding area	4
Dee river banks/stabilise/ improve	3
No masts/overhead wires	1
Preserve natural landscape	3
Other,specific	9

Panannich woodland-Craigendarroch hill
 Kindrochit castle
 restrict access to sluievannechie, camping and litter is a problem
 ringing stone preserved
 cairns on Coyles of Muick
 pass of Ballater meltwater channel river Dee
 Ballater square gardens
 Craig ap t-seabhaig mast site is a mess
 Extend 'landscape and natural beauty' area to include B976/A939 section of
 old military road linking A93 to B976 at Balmoral.

8. Archlaeological sites:

Currently being identified by BRD project - 'History with boots on'.
 Ballater in general should remain unspoiled and untouched by any further building.
 Better access?
 Tullich (old), Glenmuick & Glengairn church yards
 Craigendarroch Hill
 see community project "History with boots on"
 Knock Castle ,Curling pond
 Kindrochit castle
 more could be made of stone circles
 pict's cave, Tullich
 Loch Kinnord settlements
 the ranging stone, Glen Gairn - signposted
 pict cave at Tullich
 plenty to be listed - will give you the list when I finish
 old crofts and settlements
 Cairn na cuidhe - access and info from layby
 old grave yard - historic graves dating back to bonnie prince charlie
 numerous eg Abergairn Castle
 Tullich kirk

Tullich kirk

8. Historical Sites

Ballater in general should remain unspoiled and untouched by any further building.

Access to Knock Castle

Picture house

Knock Castle

mntn conservation area

Extend 'landscape and natural beauty' area to include B976/A939 section of old military road linking A93 to B976 at Balmoral.

St Mungo's well old Love rd

info from Ballater (Rd) Ltd

Tullich church yard

Knock Castle ,Curling pond

Knock castle- access for disabled

Kindrochit Castle

See history with boots on

curling ponds, Craig Coillach

the aisle - below Blairglass - renovated

gravestones from Culloden in Glengairn

Cairn-a-Queen Crathie

picts' cave and stepping stones, Tullich

various sites around area

Gairnshiel bridge, bridge by ringing stone

memorial on Glenmuick estate - renovate and open view. local castles and sites - knock, Abergairn etc

Cordaven house

Rinetin (macdonald) mausoleum, Dalmochie campsite

all sites included in 'History with Boots on' project

if of sufficient interest

Spittal of Glenmuick (hospice)

battle site at Pass of Ballater

Culbleany battlefield Dinnet moor

Tullich battlefield

8. Other

railway

need to adopt sensible policy to planning permission - properties not m'ntnd due

for above see planning for Real BRD History with Boots on etc

Clean out Glen Muick curling ponds, maintain Mackenzie memorial

fish ladder Glen Muick, boat house, Loch Muick

quarries for geology tourism, 'untidy' for plants

McKenzie memorial needs cleaning and renovation

Un-timbered moorland

Folk museum describing local social history. Signposting sites of interest would help to derelict Allater guest house. Old Ballater sch should be field centre again.

tree at Dalfaber farm has preservation order

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 ban all pvc window/doors in listed properties
 all above should be properly maintained
 Strathdon road

9. Other (P)

Heat exchangers	1
Solar	6
Wood	2
Other	7

Wind turbine on open grouse moors
 organic waste composting plant on current site
 get recycling onto a commercial basis
 YES - coldest part of country needs more cheap heating, especially electricity
 fuel cells
 We have pylons and mobile phone masts all over so why not consider renewable energy as we are going to need it. any viable site should be considered.
 Nuclear power or fossil burning power stations

10. Developments wanted in community (P)

Community facilities/infrastructure, shops, schools etc	5
Recreational facilities/swimming pool, sports centre, outdoor, biking	5
Tourist facilities	5
Transport/roads	1
Business facilities/development, eg Broadband, premises	1
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev'mt, incl. phone masts and pylons	3
Housing/affordable	2
Environmental/wildlife protection, improve access to other	2
working families	
Some activity that would keep teenagers away from causing a nuisance around the church and to stop them racing their cars through the village	

10. Developments not wanted in community (P)

Development generally, restrict or avoid	1
Recreational facilities incl. ski area, community woodland	4
Transport/roads	1
Business and industrial facilities/development, eg Broadband, premises	1
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev'mt, incl. phone masts and pylons	2
Housing, incl. second and retirement homes	6
other	1
less affordable housing please - many new residents have appalling behaviour, habits and manners	

10. Developments wanted within the National Park (P)

Community facilities/infrastructure, shops, schools etc	1
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Recreational facilities incl. outdoor activities, ski area	2
Tourist facilities	2
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev'mt, incl. phone masts and pylons	2
Housing	3
Environmental/wildlife protection, improve access to	2
Energy	2
Interpretation, env/culture/history etc	4
waste management	1
other	2
more active promotion of the walking and wonderful biking opportunities in the area	
environmental tourism carefully managed more. Imaginative forestry development	

10. Developments not wanted within the National Park (P)

Development generally, restrict or avoid, preserve env.	3
Recreational facilities incl. ski area, outdoor activities	1
Tourist facilities, incl. caravan sites, fun parks	3
Transport/roads,access	1
Business and industrial facilities/development	1
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev'mt, incl. phone masts and pylons	4
Housing, incl. second and retirement homes	9

12. Environmental issues (P)

limit development	6
protect wildlife/environment	12
access	6
balance development & protection	1
transport provision/control	4
waste/recycling	3
land/forest management	7
energy	1
landscaping/design	2
litter	2
other	9

less interference
speed limits 50 mph-& dog fouling - see letter
develop Park correctly & it will be sustainable -ruin it & you lose it
The environment in other parts of the park is of concern to us here, particularly the local plan for Braemar etc
use of agricultural chemicals - effects on rivers
self-confidence of some SNH officials - hope you are supposed to learn from natives
stop them making a mess of the old folks bothy next to the Balmoral bar
a real problem with vandalism in the village - newly erected signs are targets very quickly
telephone masts

12. Cultural issues (P)

events/attractions	2
gaelic/doric	2
retain local identity	7
local history/traditions	1
retaining young people	1
other	4
balance of wealth	
promote positive cultural traits	
could be more done about historical sites	
more advertising needed to encourage tourists to visit	

12. Sustainability issues (P)

transport	3
housing	9
protect wildlife/environment	4
employment	6
access	1
land/forest management	3
population, demographics	2
business development	4
other	6
develop Park correctly & it will be sustainable -ruin it & you lose it	
Well paid jobs, affordable housing, transport and access to quality adult education and training.	
better interpretation of natural resources	
Long-term consequences thought of	
sights of interest	
improvements in facilities and cleanliness for the many industry - tourism	

CNP LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION : MEETING RESULTS FOR BALLATER & CRATHIE

Community Council Area		Ballater & Crathie
Meeting & Date		14th November 95 attended
Staff/Facilitators present		Jean Henretty, Norman Brockie, Gavin Miles.
Issue	Comments (and location, if applicable)	No. of similar comments
Housing	Provide low cost housing to rent	
	Flats for retired people near the village centre	
	Provide affordable housing to keep younger people in village	2
	Encourage eco- friendly build	2
	Housing for people employed locally	2
	All new houses to have solar slates or panels. Existing houses to have grants to install same.	
	Look at smaller units of affordable housing in derelict sites within the village	
	Environmentally friendly low cost to buy/rent. You can't buy in Ballater on Ballater wages	
	Tax second homes by twice council tax	2
	Small terraced homes for the elderly to buy	
	Why not make Ballater the envy of the rest of NP and Scotland by building environmentally friendly housing using renewable energy sources	
	Restrictions needed on amount of houses for second homes. They lie empty half the year.	4
	Enough new & infill housing. Some small older houses could be improved for young married to rent.	
	Business	Encourage small businesses, provide office space, hot desking
Field at right side of Craigview rd empty. What plans for this _ acre?		
Protected Sites	No comment	
Community Facilities	The old school complex	
Infrastructure	It would be nice to have a path linking old line to cinder path, not going near pass of Ballater.	2
	Access from railway track to cemetery with style or gate.	
	More low level paths could be joined or linked	
	Cinder path needs improvement from Monaltrie House to Morven Way. Now very muddy	
	Fencing at bottom of Craigendarroch hill dangerous.	
	Make all paths wheelchair friendly	
	Restore opening of path from Craigendarroch Walk to Monaltrie Ave.	
	Improve road access to Inverurie	
	Pedestrian crossing in village	2
	Pedestrianise the station square	
Renewable Energy	Solar, insulation, nuclear.	
	Encourage small scale wind & solar	

	Increase insulation required for new housing via improved building regulations	
	Solar panels in new housing	2
	Look at older public buildings, encourage energy efficiency, alternative energy.	
Environment	Please keep some open space, meadow land, heath with access for wild flowers etc	
	Stop the extension of gardens onto Craigendarroch Hill	
	Keep the green spaces within the village	
	Stop middle aged vandals dumping garden waste on Craigendarroch Hill, the riverside and old line.	3
	Small belt of trees to shelter Monaltrie Park	
	Tidy up the council yard on South Deeside Road	
	No more trees in Monaltrie Park	
Cultural	Sculptures in old quarry	
	Craigendarroch wood important site	
Design	Please make signage accessible to all.	
Other	Tidy up Braichlie Rd depot	
Comments compiled by: Jean Henretty		

CNPA Local Plan Consultation		
Community Council Area	Ballater & Crathie	
Meeting & Date	24th November 24 attended	
Staff/Facilitators present	Jean Henretty, Bell Macaulay, Gavin Miles, Anneke Stolte, Claire Fraser	
Issue	Comments (and location, if applicable)	No. of similar comments
Housing	Affordable housing managed or owned by housing association	
	Holiday homes - ? how to control amount	2
	Monaltrie hotel – flats not liked. Lose big function facility. Do not want to lose hotel rooms and employment	
	Need for low cost housing to buy – definition needs to be qualified	
	Innovative ideas how to keep low cost housing needs to be investigated.	
	Connect employment with right to buy low cost	
	Affordable housing for private rent, to buy, council to rent.	
	Issues about right to buy	
	Rented housing keep for people moving in until they could buy.	
	Eco friendly housing	
	Sheltered houses/ smaller houses for elderly people	
	Possible sites – craigview road, near business park - (disagreement). Part of old school, pockets in village, bus station, glengairn, tullich – separate settlement	
	Restrict housing at entrance to village, no more large scale developments	

	Hotels should provide their own staff accommodation.	
	No more urban sprawl to the NE of the village – they are too expensive for the average working family to buy; some are bought as holiday homes which stand empty for most of the year. Not much in the way of trade for local shops; they are boring old fashioned “city suburbs” design.	
	Low cost housing to rent for families or individuals who cannot get a mortgage e.g. those in seasonal work whose employment is not continuous.	
	Low cost housing to buy for those whose wages are at or below average for the area, young families trying to become established in the village e.g. young tradesmen.	
	Sites for houses – Craigview Road; Land set aside for industrial use Tulloch Road; Deebank Road – derelict flats.	
Business	Broad band essential	3
	Business development linked to housing	
	Training centre for tourism accredited schemes	
	Heritage centre/trails	
	High tech IT	
	Publishing/journalism	
	More trades people	
	Arts/crafts for tourism	
	Carers for the elderly	
	Make old school into high tech site	
	Business park for trades people and workshops at affordable rents	
	Old school for arts centre/display area	
	Cheap start up units/workshops	
	Not enough business units	
	Remote internet working	
	Encourage young people to set up businesses	
	Too much reliance on tourism	
	Not enough trades people	
	Need more shop units – start up/small cheap	
	Holiday accommodation, low cost for families	
	Canoeing	
	Traditional – hunting, shooting, fishing	
	Tourism related – Craigendarroch takes all employment	
	Agriculture service industry	
	Not enough office accommodation	
	Sites by the council depot, old school, old sawmill – Glen Muick	
	Could do with bigger supermarket	
	Need supermarket ? where. Out of town takes customers away from shops	
	Future expansion of Crathie Opportunity Holidays to be considered. Consider the COH concept elsewhere in National Park or Scotland.	
Infrastructure	Water not so nice as it was	
	A93 gets worse the further away from Aberdeen	
	Bad drainage	
	Private unadopted roads	
	More road markings, upgrade roads	
	Larger lay by's for tourists to stop to enjoy the view	
	Bridge Gairn road	2
	Move bus station to outside village next to new business park. Park	

	coaches outside village. Tourist coach park outside and pick up in village – highland games park	
	Tree cutting along old railway	
	Connect local routes	
	Hopper service e.g. Tomintoul or Grantown	
	Large tourist buses should they be allowed?	
	Smaller snowploughs for centre of village	
	More local flowers	
Environment	Manage the river dee as a whole – especially for the salmon	
	Maintain native species	
	Encourage replanting of native trees throughout the park	
	Deer cull – or not	
	Are there people /resources to train conversationalists?	
	Encourage local groups to help with conservation – the Park can draw the groups together	
	Cinder path in need of repair	
	Horses spoiling path - ? bridleway	
	Riverside path by golf course washed away	
	Dumping of garden rubbish	
	Community composting	
	Recycle bins unsightly, broken glass, takes up car spaces, too noisy, smelly. Move beside business units.	
	Dog bins not being emptied	
	Amenity area in centre too small, not suitable for all abilities	
	Beauty spots are not visible anymore because of trees – open up	
	Better use of the river – canoeing	
	Craigendarroch wood needs tidied – more community involvement and finance needed	
Renewable Energy	Biomass sounds good and uses renewable local resources. Good for large units like schools or new housing developments.	
	Small windfarm development	
	Biomass – maybe old school, New housing development a possibility	2
	No windmills	
	Hydro not obvious	
	All new build should be energy efficient	
	Turbines in the Gairn	
	Wind farms – small numbers in discreet areas	
Design	Low density, not cramped together	
	Innovative, energy efficient	
	Spaciously fitting in the landscape	
	Should be a place for modern design, but should be interesting	
	Conservation area therefore may not fit with existing building design	
	No more houses like the Scotia homes	
	Protect village entrance	
	Cohesive system of signs in village	
	More traditional in gap sites	
	Council to keep their sites tidy	

	Don't build infill sites	
	New housing estates to be kept traditional	
	Look after the view of village coming into Ballater from Aboyne	
	Imaginative with solar panels, excellent insulation, bio-fuel boilers etc.	
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