

## Questionnaire results for Cromdale Community area:

### 1. Are you answering questions on behalf of:

	Base	No reply	Yes	No
household?	30	0	29	1
main residence?	29	1	24	4
business?	30	11	2	17

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	
open market housing to rent	30	6	12	11	1
open market housing to buy	30	4	12	11	3

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	
low cost housing to rent	30	4	18	8	0
low cost housing to buy	30	3	23	4	0
low cost housing to build	30	7	15	7	1

### 3. Where should housing be developed?

	No reply	Yes	No	?	
within towns or villages	30	4	23	2	1
around towns or villages	30	6	17	7	0
in open countryside	30	8	3	19	0

### 4. Is there scope for new business sites..?

Scope for new business sites/opportunities within community?

Yes	8
No	13
?	3

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified	
Community green spaces	30	10	18	1	1	5
parcs/playing fields	30	8	21	0	1	10
paths	30	9	19	1	1	11
wildlife habitats	30	6	22	0	2	10
viewpoints/views	30	7	20	1	2	8

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified	
roads	30	5	11	12	2	10
footpaths	30	6	12	9	2	9
cycle paths	30	5	14	8	3	11
waste water treatment	30	8	7	8	6	6

water supply	30	8	7	9	6	4
car parking	30	6	7	15	2	7
recycling	30	5	18	7	0	10
community facilities	30	7	10	8	5	8

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

	Base	No reply	Yes	No	? area specified	
tree planting	30	9	9	8	4	6
landscaping	30	8	10	9	3	8
walls and fences	30	8	7	11	4	6
wildlife habitat	30	9	10	6	5	5
pathways	30	11	4	10	5	3

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

	No reply	Yes	No	? specified		
Buildings	30	9	14	4	3	13
landscape features	30	13	7	4	6	6
archaeological sites	30	15	5	4	6	5
historical sites	30	7	15	3	4	16

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

	No reply	Yes	No	? location specified		
commercial wind farms	30	4	3	19	4	3
commercial HE	30	5	6	15	4	1
commercial biomass	30	3	8	14	5	4
community wind turbines	30	4	9	14	3	1
community HE	30	5	12	8	5	0
community biomass	30	5	12	7	6	2

### 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	5
landscape	19
buildings	2
natural environment	23
wildlife	18
cultural heritage	5
outdoor activities	7
tourist attractions	2
recreation	3

facilities	
history	12
quality of life	22
social events	0
community life	4

## 12. Are there wider environmental, cultural or sustainability issues

	No reply	Yes	No	? Description		
Environmental	30	16	10	1	3	8
Cultural	30	18	7	2	3	6
Sustainability	30	21	4	2	3	3

## Questionnaire comments & suggestions for Q's 4-12:

### Question 4 Scope for Where are possible sites?

#### new business

- Yes General store Cromdale for people w/o cars
- Yes want
- Yes within reception range of broadband
- Yes Cromdale 40 miles from any business
- Yes any businesses should be green and involved in promoting natural heritage and environment of the area
- Yes along A95, behind Haugh hotel
- Yes sites around Cromdale

### Question 4 Scope for What problems face businesses?

#### new business

- No There is not a labour force currently to manage or work in such enterprises the market is too small
- Yes A95 prevents us getting planning permission to start up a business for tourists
- Yes imposed restrictions
- Yes narrow roads, A9 not entirely dualled, water supply & waste disposal

### Question 5 area - green spaces

- Balmenach Rd, Kirk Rd beyond stn to church
- sports areas -access to woods & rivers
- all
- hills
- riverbank

### Question 5 area - parks

Football pitch/children's play area  
woods adj Cromdale hall  
golf courses  
all  
GoS play area, Cromdale play area  
sportsfield  
Cromdale park  
football field

**Question 5 area - paths**

Speyside Way  
woods adj Cromdale hall now fenced off  
communities need to enjoy their area  
Speyside way  
all  
if able to divert paths to allow access

**Question 5 area - habitats**

woods adj Cromdale hall now fenced off  
SPACE MUST BE MADE FOR WILDLIFE  
all forests  
Riparian habitats, potential areas for large mammal & bird reintroduction  
all  
all land used by nesting birds - curlews, oyster catchers etc  
Anagach Woods  
fields around Bainenach  
surrounding fields

**Question 5 area - viewpoints**

Lethendry  
views should be enjoyed by many  
all  
Haughs, Cromdale  
Easter Rynaballoch steading  
Cromdale hills

**Question 5 Q5 other**

Park should be kept as it is with minimal change  
flood plains, ridges, skylines & "scrub"  
woodland  
woods, hills, trees, rivers etc all used by wildlife and open highland scenery attracts tourists too

**Question 6 location - roads**

Braes of Castle Grant roadways  
eliminate traffic lights at bridge  
general Cromdale to Aberlour

30mph limit area extended  
A9 entirely dual carriageway  
A95 to Cromdale - widen  
Congash farm bends have standing water  
Building site off Kirk Rd  
A9  
A95

**Question 6 location - footpaths**

former Balmenach Distillery Railway line  
A95 thro village/both sides  
Cromdale hills  
Dava way appreciated  
convert disused railway from Grantown across Dava moor into path/cycle way  
A95 Advie to Cromdale  
Sandy's Way - grass verges untidy, non existent in places. Path between Cromdale hall & Kirk Rd on A95 is disgrace & non existent in places. Improve disabled access & seats along walking areas  
River Spey  
riverside

**Question 6 location - cycle paths**

much easier gates along Speyside way like the new one Cromdale to Anagach wood-excellent to Grantown along old railway-line  
safer route for A95 cyclists  
main trunk roads-Grantown to Aviemore  
convert disused railway from Grantown across Dava moor into path/cycle way  
A95 not safe to cycle need cycle path  
old railway-line to Grantown  
along all main roads  
River Spey  
riverside

**Question 6 location - waste water treatment**

Grantown  
Charges by Scottish Water for emptying private sewage waste is much too high  
aim for no sewage spills even in spate  
to many septic tanks  
to many septic tanks

**Question 6 location - water supply**

Castle Grant area as per EEC directives!  
anticipate climate change's impact  
low pressure

**Question 6 location - car parking**

Post office, park, play area

Up Balneach Rd outside ex council houses

OK in Grantown, facilities for walkers?

more tarred lay-bys

HGVs should be made to use lorry parks for o/night parking not lay-by's. HGVs park at any available spot regardless of noise or inconvenience to nearby properties

park near football field

**Question 6 location - recycling**

longer hrs at GoS skip facility

Grantown is nearest recycling

waste oil & cardboard-Cromdale /Grantown

cardboard, plastic, saucepans

have one Grantown nearest

plastic

paper recycling every where

we have none that I know of and would suggest collection of recyclable materials by the council would achieve the best possible results

More paper & plastic

more needed

**Question 6 location - comm. facilities**

Brighten up outside of hall

Cromdale

local hall needs maintenance

Keep the YMCA and library in Grantown

Cromdale hall inadequate

funds for improvement & car-parking

Grantown

Cromdale hall needs facelift

**Question 6 Q6 other**

nothing to attract passers by to stop, enlarge/improve picnic area at play park

TV reception to allow Freeview to all areas.

educate people not to throw rubbish out of cars

local shops

**Question 7 where - tree planting**

Along Speyside way -privacy

NATIVE species

living snow fences in areas of snow drift

restore felled plantations everywhere

Verges Cromdale/GoS

Cromdale bridge up village burn

**Question 7 where - landscaping**

Park & hall

earth bank(former wooden platform) opp Cromdale station

disused railway-line from Balmeach to Cromdale village  
replant trees where road construction have led to removal  
most plantations need landscaping  
A95 right hand side  
bottom end of Haughs  
entrances to village

**Question 7    where - walls and fences**

More drystone walls less fencing  
humpback bridge on Rd A95 to R Spey  
retain vernacular style -not brick or ranch style  
Cambrae woods  
there are ruined ones throughout the district  
removal of old fencing

**Question 7    where - wildlife habitat**

Clear overgrowth at Dalachapple Cromdale to make accessible for walking  
research into impact of road salt on salmon spawning  
everywhere  
the Clais GR 054317  
Balmenach

**Question 7    where - pathways**

Is the old track Auchnagallin-Ourach-Forres a right of way?  
access to hills  
access to Cromdale hills

**Question 7    Q7 other**

removal of dumped cars from trunk road sides(Grantown-Cromdale rd)  
roadsides kept clear of thistles & broom  
  
keep old black & white road signs-replace broken ones with similar. Reinststate railway  
Aviemore-Grantown  
preservation of natural woodland throughout  
railways reopened

**Question 8    what and where - buildings**

Cromdale village hall  
Grantown on Spey E railway staction  
Manse by Cromdale Church, Castle at Lethendry  
the old Manse  
enforce design to keep vernacular windows  
preserve derelict houses  
castle grant  
Cromdale Church  
steading at Easter Rynaballoch  
Burnside house

**Question 8 what and where - landscape features**

Manse garden into wildlife garden need financial help  
old pines on B9102 & veteran hardwoods  
Haughs of Cromdale  
River Spey  
Cromdale foothills

**Question 8 what and where, archaeological sites**

stone circle at Congash  
Victoria's Jubilee cairn on TomMor  
Pictish stones Congash  
castle at Lethendry

**Question 8 what and where - historic sites**

Needs more attention drawn eg pipers cairn, battle site  
Cromdale Hills & surrounding area  
Haughs of Cromdale battlefield 1620  
stone circle at Congash  
Pipers stone  
Comyn site at Auchnahannet  
Pictish stones Congash  
the square, Grantown  
Castle Roy  
pipers stone  
Lethendry castle

**Question 8 Q8 other**

humpback bridge between Cromdale village & church  
nat history of valley N&S of upper Derraid to Castle Grant  
Burnside

**Question 9a location - commercial wind farms**

noise & eyesore  
keep offshore  
Tomintoul road

**Question 9b location - commercial HE**

use Spey tributaries ,Loch Insh, Loch Laggan

**Question 9c location - commercial biomass**

Loop road above Cromdale  
roads not suitable  
if hidden properly  
Close to wood yard, BoG, or industrial estate Grantown



**Question 9d location - community wind turbines**

Balmenach

**Question 9f location - community biomass**

Anywhere in this area - would estates allow?

Loop road above Cromdale

**Question 9 Q9 other**

"entered no to all then Yes to NB's 1&2)

sensitively designed renewable technology for individual properties out of town

solar energy for all households

**Question 10 Other developments - general overall answer**

close fast food outlets because of the rubbish created in environment

Consider scenario-mass car transport may not be viable-long term

use of wood to heat village of Cromdale

no building in countryside

no wind farms

new buildings should be sympathetic to surroundings

the park should be set aside for recreational purposes

**Question 10 Developments wanted in community?**

scenario-mass car transport may not be viable-long term

leave as many open spaces as possible.

**Question 10 Developments not wanted in community**

restrict all building - keep as natural as nature intended.

houses between Balmenach and the Cromdale hills

**Question 10 Developments wanted in National Park**

Retain distinct vernacular proportions into new building and require slate-coloured roofs in all cases.

More disabled access

**Question 10 Developments not wanted in National Park**

No to development like Loch Lomond shore ie retail units close to quiet & beautiful places.

no industrial or tourist developments that damage or disfigure the landscape and environment

**Question 12 description - environmental**

no unsightly electricity pylons

unsightly gardens/decrepit homes in prominent locations

natural wilderness

more action against wildlife crime-protect silence

plastic recycling

removal and restoration of hill tracks. Forest regeneration

path erosion

**Question 12 description - cultural**

Don't lose its Scottish-ness  
priority given to affordable housing for local people  
Grantown museum to cover the Parish not just the town  
free museum entry for all  
more cultural events  
very little achieved in creating a CNP identity

**Question 12 description - sustainability**

priority given to affordable housing for local people-people can't stay if nowhere to live  
winter problems for out of town residents-roads icy, mobiles poor network reception-going out especially in eves risky  
recycling, local renewable energy

**Questionnaire extra information?**

Spend money given to you on the Park not on setting up committees, subcommittees & quangos to share in the pot!!!  
We should accept change slowly & think v carefully before we destroy something unique  
protect cultural identity of villages  
the park depends upon its attractiveness to visitors, not housing developments

<b>CNPA Local Plan Consultation</b>		
<b>Community Council Area</b>	<b>Cromdale</b>	
<b>Meeting &amp; Date</b>	<b>26 November 2004</b>	
<b>Staff/Facilitators present</b>	<b>Don McKee, Anna Barton, Yvonne Nugent</b>	
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>38</b>	
<b>Issue</b>	<b>Comments (and location, if applicable)</b>	<b>No. of similar comments</b>
<b>Housing</b>		
Mixed housing	At Balmenach	
Affordable	We need this	
Smallholdings	Allow development similar to crofting system	
Affordable	Around middle of Cromdale	
Open market	The Old Inn – <u>very</u> low density	2
Affordable	Council-owned land at Tom-an-Uird	
Affordable	East of MacGregor House at Balmenach	
	Between manager's house and warehouse	
	Field SW of Kirk Road	
Affordable	Factory at Rosebank Cottage – clear and develop	
<b>Business</b>		
Waulkmill	Tourist facility	
<b>Protected Sites</b>	None of the following sites should be developed:	
	Lower Auchroisk	
	Yellow Moss – Coila	
	North of old railway line	
	Around Balmenach Burn, SW of Old Mill. Important for wildlife	3
	Around Mill of Cromdale to burn. Designate for wildlife	
	Protect pond for wildlife in field opposite side of road from Dunroamin.	
	6.1(a) on existing plan – site for breeding birds, rare mushroom, wild flowers. Should not be developed	
<b>Community Facilities</b>		
	Reinstatement of local shop	
	Junior football facilities	
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
Footpaths	Should be properly signed	
	More required – develop path network	2
	Down old railway line from Balmenach (to join Speyside Way?)	
<b>Renewable Energy</b>	No comments	
<b>Environment</b>	No comments	
<b>Cultural</b>		
	Preserve Lethendry Castle	2
	Pictish Stones at Congash	
	Cromdale and Balmenach should remain distinct communities and not grow towards each other	
<b>Design</b>		

	Design should be adhered to – changes after planning permission should be penalised	
	Design should follow CNPA guidelines	
<b>Other</b>	No comments	
<b>Comments compiled by:</b> Anna Barton/Yvonne Nugent		

<b>Additional Written Representations</b>		
<b>Issue</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Received from:</b>
Housing sites	Suggestion of a number of sites within the Balmenach & Feabuie settlement areas, south of Cromdale.	Bowlts Surveyors & Glenmore Properties Ltd.