

QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR KINGUSSIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA:

1. Are you answering questions on behalf of:

	Base	No reply	Yes	No
household?	81	3	75	3
main residence?	75	11	58	6
business?	81	33	8	40

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	
open market housing to rent	81	11	42	19	9
open market housing to buy	81	12	35	24	10

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	
low cost housing to rent	81	6	63	7	5
low cost housing to buy	81	5	62	8	6
low cost housing to build	81	16	45	14	6

3. Where should housing be developed?

	No reply	Yes	No	?	
within towns or villages	81	5	70	4	2
around towns or villages	81	11	42	25	3
in open countryside	81	9	9	57	6

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

Scope for new business sites/opportunities within community?	Yes	39
	No	12
	?	11

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified	
Comm green spaces	81	17	60	1	2	25
parks/playing fields	81	12	67	1	1	27
paths	81	14	63	2	2	26
wildlife habitats	81	11	62	1	6	29
viewpoints/views	81	21	56	1	3	20

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

	No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified	
roads	81	9	46	23	3	36
footpaths	81	18	41	17	4	28
cycle paths	81	17	34	22	7	22

waste water treatment	81	7	50	10	14	36
water supply	81	22	21	25	13	11
car parking	81	20	20	39	2	14
recycling	81	18	36	24	3	23
community fac.	81	25	18	36	2	13

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

	Base	No reply	Yes	No	? area specified	
tree planting	81	25	16	28	12	15
landscaping	81	28	17	24	12	15
walls and fences	81	30	21	18	12	17
wildlife habitat	81	31	15	19	16	12
pathways	81	30	21	19	11	16

8. Are there any buildings etc. which need to be preserved/listed in your area?

	No reply	Yes	No	? specified		
Buildings	81	23	37	10	10	37
landscape features	81	40	13	16	12	12
archeological sites	81	34	18	12	17	17
historical sites	81	38	18	10	15	17

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

	No reply	Yes	No	? site specified		
commercial wind farms	81	7	11	59	3	5
commercial HE	81	11	14	49	6	3
commercial biomass	81	12	14	44	10	5
comm. wind turbines	81	8	43	26	5	5
comm HE	81	11	43	20	7	5
comm. biomass	81	9	46	18	8	7

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

What makes your community a special part of the CNP?	people	27
	landscape	54
	buildings	4
	natural environment	50
	wildlife	29
	cultural heritage	19
	outdoor activities	35
	tourist attractions	8
	recreation facilities	12
	history	19
	quality of life	50
	social events	4
	community life	17

12. Are there wider environmental, cultural or sustainability issues

	No reply		Yes	No	?	Description
Environmental	81	32	33	6	10	32
Cultural	81	38	25	7	11	21
Sustainability	81	34	33	5	9	28

Questionnaire comments and suggestions for Q's 4-12:

- Notes: All following tables allow multiple coding
Coding frames have been drawn up at a Park level where possible (denoted by 'P'). These include a codes for local issues or locations, if specified
Other questions are specific to each CC area and have been coded accordingly (denoted by 'S')
Some coding frames start with Park wide coding and continue with specific location (denoted by 'S,P')

4. Possible sites available (S)

Market stance	4
Empty premises/sites	3
By station/cattle market	9
Industrial units	5
High Street	5
Other specified sites	5
Other	4
Land superior should know of sites	
Build on & develop historic look of Kingussie	
Railway yards, market stance, scrap yard.	
This has been tried near roads depot in Kingussie - no takers	

4. What problems face business (P)

Access (road)/infrastructure/transport costs/remoteness	3
Local government regulations/planning	1
Premises -cost of rent/rates /underused	7
Staff/tradespeople - skills	1
Staff - housing	2
Viability/seasonality/small populations	6
Other	4
competition from multinationals eg Tesco	
retail under pressure -shop conversion to accommodation.	
too expensive for businesses to buy properties-more money made by property developers	
people travelling to Aviemore, and Tesco to do their shopping instead of shopping locally	

4. Type of business (P)

Retail - small shops/not just for tourists	2
Home based/Cottage Industries	2
Small scale businesses/crafts	1
Other	2
non tourist industries required	
small workshops/stores	

5. Green spaces area/location (S)

All	7
Duke Gardens	4

The Dell	3
Ardvonie Park/park area	2
Play park	2
Fields	2
Area around High School	3
Glebe area	2
Shinty pitch	2
Ruthven Barracks area	3
Putting/bowling greens	2
Other specified location	10
Other: not to be utilised for business or housing	1

Other specified location

The Glebe ponds, Witches Hill, Ruthven Barracks
fields & woodlands around Kingussie/Newtonmore
Duke gardens, Dell, Pitch & play park
Dunbarry
central playground & park
Kingussie gardens
Rd to Pitmain, Dell fields, trees by High school
Insh village green
putting green and gardens
area around Ruthven Barracks, Kingussie gardens
Kingussie Golf course

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

Duke Gardens	2
Ardvonie Park	7
Play park	1
All	6
High School area	1
School playing fields	3
Shinty pitch	8
Football pitches	3
The Dell	3
Other specified location	5
Other	2
The Dell, Kingussie and environs not to be utilised for business or housing Kingussie Cof E Club golf course putting green, playing field at Dunbarrie Kingussie gardens town playing fields	

5. Paths area/location (S)

All	11
Cycle path(s)	3
River, to/from river	1
Other specified location	10
Other	3
safeguard from dog fouling	
not to be utilised for business or housing-no commercial intrusions	
present system is inadequate & not maintained	
Glen Banchor, Newtonmore- River, goats, townships, nat history/history all in compact area	
Old Mill Rd towards golf course	
Drumish to Inverglas	
tracks up Creag Bheag to Loch Gynack,	
Wades Rd	
existing rights of way around Insh	
Speyside cycle path	
Bewt Kingussie & N'more via Loch Gynach	
on River Spey	
birch wood, River Gynack	
down Treadmill Brae and by Cross Hotel	

5. Wildlife habitats area/location (S)

Insh reserve/marshes	6
All	5
Along/around rivers	2
River Spey	4
River Gynack	2
The Dell area	2
Glebe ponds	2
Birch woods	2
Other specified location	9
Other	4
has to be sensitive and quality build	
for squirrels	
Kincraig wildlife park	
woods/fields nr Kingussie golf course & fields	
next to the dell	
along any river, Inshriach forest	
present unused field area left for wildlife	
Creag Bheag, R. Spey	
Glen Tromie	
tracks up Creag Bheag to Loch Gynack,	
Wades Rd	
Ruthven & Insh	
birch wood, Tom Baraidh woods	

5. Viewpoints area/location (S)

All	7
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Ruthven Barracks	5
Creag Bheag	3
Other specified location	6
Other	2
More lay-bys opening up vistas	
has to be sensitive and quality build	
top of Dunbarry houses, out of wood looking towards Ruthie Castle	
Ruthven Witches hill	
Tom Baraidh	
outside town	
both sides of Loch Insh	
Glen Banchor, Newtonmore- River, goats, townships, nat history/history all in compact area	

5. Other

villages ruined by policy of building houses by the hundred. Not reasonable to allow Kingussie to develop -see letter
 check with community council-they handle this
 whats left of large gardens
 Darmuish, Inshes
 property developers seem to find a way around any restrictions.
 flood plains of local rivers
 around ruthven bks
 areas of natural heritage value and wild land
 amenity areas including woodland etc that have biodiversity value

6. Roads area/location (S)

All	2
All of Kingussie village area	5
Kingussie High Street	11
Road surfaces/repairs	11
A9	4
Kingussie traffic calming	2
Gynack Road area	2
Kingussie to Newtonmore/old A9	3
A86 Laggan road	2
Other specified location	5
Snow clearing	2
If property developments on Insh side of Spey	1
B970 floods very easily	
Ardbroilach Rd riverside verges unstable	
main route to Elgin/Aberdeen a disgrace. Aviemore's Grampian road can't cope with volume of traffic	
A86 Newtonmore--- Spean bridge, more gritting on roads in winter & more snowploughs	
Glenbrae in this area	

6. Footpaths area/location (S)

More paths generally	14
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Paths linking villages	4
Maintenance/improvement	3
To Ruthven Barracks	2
Whole area	6
Specified location	14
Other	5
Restrict all terrain cycles from paths subject to swampy conditions.	
Some fps named wrongly eg Hazel wood should be Birch wood	
Publication has been prepared but not published	
more local paths needed	
local maps required	
Some footpaths named wrongly eg Hazel wood should be Birch wood	
Orchard Course/no path at Ardbrachach Rd/Gynack Rd	
Loch Dryanach-Kingussie	
West terrace to Newtonmore RD.Footpath Tait's bridge to Aviemore car park	
Birch woods	
over Craig Bheag, A9 underpass near Nuid farm	
link to Aviemore	
B9152 Kingussie /Kincraig	
extend Speyside way To Kingussie-Newtonmore_Laggan & coast to coast to Fort William	
serious need in Kingussie to keep coach parties in village - no pavements	
path required Main St to medical centre	
extension of Badenoch way to Newtonmore	
Arbroilach Rd needs ped path	
Market Lane	

6. Cycle paths area/location (S)

Kingussie to Aviemore	7
Kingussie to Kincraig	4
Kingussie to Newtonmore	3
Make cycle routes safer	3
More generally, whole area	7
Other specified location	3
Other: local maps required	1
Entry/exit at Kingussie very dangerous.	
Kingussie to Ruthven barracks	
Aviemore to Cairngorm	

6. Waste water treatment area/location (P,S)

Needs upgrading	13
Smells	6
Enlarge for new developments	4
Specific locations	12
Blocked drains	2
Don't know	1

Specific locations

every village in area
 fields beside McCormacks garage Kingussie
 Kingussie and Aviemore area
 Kingussie sewage works
 Problem in field at McCormacks garage.
 pumping station & sewage works
 throughout Badenoch and Strathspey area
 West Ter, Kingussie

6. Water supply area/location (P,S)

Upgrade/modernise	3
Improve quality/colour/reduce chemicals	4
Supply problems at times	1
Upgrade to cope with increasing population	1
Specific areas mentioned: all villages	1

6. Car parking area/location (S)

High Street	7
Other	7
every village in area	
near interpretation features	
shift fire station to W end & make site a car park	
additional parking required on Saturdays	
improvement of existing parking area	
signs to car park at Folk Museum	
Badenoch Centre	

6. Recycling facilities area/location (P)

More recycling generally	8
Glass	4
Paper/newspaper	4
Cardboard	2
Plastic	10
Tin/metal	1
Garden Waste	2
Doorstep collection/domestic/free for small business	3
More bins/banks	1
Empty bins more frequently	1
Location - town/village centre	1
Location - other	4
Other	2
Access during week to waste dump in market stance	
for old tyres	
Location - other	
everywhere within Highland area	
every village in area	

plastics-Market stance
amenity tip/skip Newtonmore

6. Community facilities area/location

Swimming pool	8
Other	8

Kingussie
funding to open longer hours
every village in area
isolated communities need improved public transport system and 24 hour GP cover.
possible over provision
more facilities for children
town courthouse
support for local traditional sports. ie shinty club

7. Tree planting

should consider natural environment history & not be 'a good idea'
Cairngorm ski area
Kingussie
mixed tree planting throughout the area
beside River Gynach
nr Kingussie golf course
replace some trees E of golf course houses before clean fell
well away from rds
in existing & new build area
regeneration of original Caledonian forests
preferably natural regeneration
clear felled areas
besides A9
around village
birch wood

7. Landscaping, where (P,S)

Town/village approach	5
Town/village centre	3
New housing estates	1
Riverbanks	1
Roadsides	2
Waste ground	3
Area specified	9

Area specified

along A9 to reduce noise
properties at the bridge at Glenfeshie
old quarry site N end of town
Kingussie High school-improve visually is an eyesore
A9 access/ Market stance/High street

east side of railway line at shinty club
 old railway and cattle market area
 Gynack Burn, the dump in Kingussie
 landscape & maintain Insh village green

7. Walls & fences, where (P,S)

Repair/maintain drystone walls/dykes	6
Maintain/ erect new fencing/deer/rabbit/capercaillie etc	7
Remove old/redundant fencing	1
Other	4
Area specified	7
Other/area specified	
Kingussie	
Deer fencing to protect young Caledonian trees at Glenfeshie	
Balavil estate/ Old A9	
West Ter Circular, top of wood deer fence	
fences/barriers on Ardbroilach Road	
up mill road from Kingussie traffic lights	
Tower Block Brae fence Kingussie	

7. Wildlife habitat, where (P,S)

Protect/maintain/manage existing areas	5
Create new areas	1
Protect red squirrels	2
Control predators/pests/rabbits/grey squirrels	2
Areas specified	5
Areas specified	
riparian woodland on spey and tributaries	
road crossing for red squirrels nr Tromie bridge	
the Dell area	
the Dell Kingussie	
The Glebe ponds, Kingussie require better maintenance.	
unused fields to N of town	

7. Pathways

See Q5 & Q6

7. Others, where (P)

Litter	1
Other	7
check with community council-they handle this already happening	
road verges	
Give grants to individuals other than large estates who have a disproportionate say in how	

improvements are implemented.

Glebe pond - repair walkway onto lochan

eradication of ragwort, spreading like wildfire

greater use of tree preservation orders, there are very few in B&S

8. Buildings, what & where (S)

Ruthven Barracks	10
Royal Hotel	7
Courthouse	4
High Street buildings	2
Folk Museum	3
Preserve/renovate existing buildings	5
Other specific buildings	11
Other	1

Other

equally more is a case to stop building those horrid bungalows - no imagination and don't fit with existing housing stock

Other specific buildings

renovation and external visual improvement of building housing planning dept, Renovation of some of signs/fascias of shops in Kingussie High Street.

Town house, Edwardian/Victorian houses-conservation area around Ardroine, Folk museum Kingussie

village on path to Loch Gynack Toman an I Scomair

Old Ballachroan settlement

list some "Sleeper" house

renovate old steadings behind Soillerie

courthouses - Kingussie and Grantown.

Aviemore village hall

some of the older homes in village and along High Street, Kingussie railway station

old dairy building

R L Stevenson's holiday home in Spey Street

long term funding for Kingussie church hall and Iona gallery

8. Landscape features, what & where (S)

Marshes	2
Control/limit development	5
Other specified location	4
Other: get land owners to take some pride in the area	1
Forests & woods around Kingussie & Newtonmore	
rouches moutonees	
parallel rds above Glen Gynach	
clock tower, Kingussie	

8. Archaeological features, what & where (S)

Raitts cave	6
Glen Banchor, old settlements	3

Lynchat	3
Other specified sites	6
Other	2
preserve what we already have any	
Other specified sites	
Ruthven Barracks	
t'ship eg Raitts, Glen Banchor interpret & relate to folk museum	
pictish site near Balavil house	
Mill river village by Newtonmore	
ruin behind Wildlife Park	
black houses along Feshie river	

8. Historical features, what & where (S)

Ruthven Barracks	9
Other specified sites	10
all buildings over 50 years old	
Museum	
need a planning perimeter around them to avoid encroaching housing & farm buildings	
Highland folk park, crofting- cleared settlements	
cemetery behind council buildings	
General Wades rd at Highland wildlife park entrance	
old village sites Glen Banchor	
keep lines of old Lang-rigs where possible in village	
Raitts cave, Lynchat	

9a Large scale commercial windfarms what & where (P)

Between Newtonmore & Kingussie (& behind Kingussie Golf Course)	2
Drumochter	1
Other	2
absolutely not	
'sensitively sited' and 'large scale' are surely not compatible!	

9b Large scale commercial hydro electric

Glenroonie/Giack	
if underground	
'sensitively sited' and 'large scale' are surely not compatible!	

9c Large scale commercial biomass

needs screening	
Inds estate/railway station	
'sensitively sited' and 'large scale' are surely not compatible!	

anything sustainable (between kingussie and newtonmore)
so long as the woodchips come from within 50 mile radius

9d Community wind turbine

absolutely not
empty glens& hillsides egGlen Feshie
near village
out of sight
insh marshes or up behind golf course

9e Community hydro electric

using existing water storage
on Tromie
Out of sight
River Gynack
Loch Gynack

9f Community biomass

units near Kingussie station
heating etc new homes
in built up areas
using forestry & household waste
near village
local industrial areas ie Newtonmore/kingussie
need more info for public discussion

9g Other (P)

Combined heat/power	1
Solar	6
Encourage domestic schemes (Eg. Provide Grants)	2
Other	2
community composting site. more recycling - plastic etc anywhere	

10. Developments wanted in community (P,S)

Community facilities/infrastructure, shops, schools etc	1
Recreational facilities/swimming pool, sports centre, outdoor, biking	6
Tourist facilities	5
Transport/roads	2
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev'mt, incl. phone masts and pylons	1
Housing/affordable	4
Environmental/wildlife protection, improve access to	2

Energy	1
Community development/identity/'spirit'	2
Other	6

Nursing homes for elderly - see letter

something on/off A9 to intro area/attractions for folk travelling N & psychologically do not want to return S before 'going home'

Development of a new policy for signposting, esp of tourist signposting, within the park boundary, Designated skate park

wet weather attractions for tourists-access to swimming pool-interpretation feature near sensitive sites & Spey

litter collection

unused High St stores put to better use as changed to low rent housing, access to affordable cmty

sports facilities

10. Developments not wanted in community (P)

Development generally, restrict or avoid	2
Transport/roads	1
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev't, incl. phone masts and pylons	2
Housing, incl. second and retirement homes	1
Energy	1

10. Developments wanted within the National Park (P)

Recreational facilities incl. outdoor activities, ski area	4
Tourist facilities	4
Transport/roads	4
Business facilities/development, eg Broadband, premises	1
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev't, incl. phone masts and pylons	2
Housing	3
Environmental/wildlife protection, improve access to	2
Interpretation, env/culture/history etc	1
Other	2

Development of a new policy for signposting, esp of tourist signposting, within the park boundary better signposting for the park eg showing entry to park

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

Development generally, restrict or avoid, preserve env.	1
Recreational facilities incl. ski area, outdoor activities	1
Transport/roads, access	1
Design/landscaping/ensure env sensitive dev't, incl. phone masts and pylons	3
Housing, incl. second and retirement homes	2

Energy, incl wind farms 1

12. Environmental issues (P)

Limit development 2
Protect wildlife/environment 7
Access 3
Already too much development 3
Balance development & protection 2
Waste/recycling 2
Land/forest management 5
Energy 1
Landscaping/design 3
Litter 2
Other 6

you need to allow more people to live within the park by allowing housing development and improving transport routes

wasting public money(DCS - Glenfeshie)

reduce low flying military exercises NOW-new rules to control heather burning

how do you "join up" across the park when all the villages think they are unique?

sewerage systems

holistic

12. Cultural issues (P)

Community facilities 2
Events/attractions 2
Housing, use/price of 2
Gaelic/doric 2
Retain local identity 1
Local history/traditions 2
General need 4
Art, music, theatre, storytelling etc 3
Retaining young people 1
Other 3

better service ethic required

funding to increase cultural groups

pay decent wages to enable locals to stay

12. Sustainability issues (P)

Transport 5
Waste/recycling 2
Housing 4
Protect wildlife/environment 1
Employment 9
Access 2
Land/forest management 3
Business development 7
Other 3

ethos

what do you mean by sustainability?

ensure sustainability issues have high priority when policy making.

Other information/comment

letter re no more development Kingussie, nursing homes

houses should be built in open countryside .We should not all be herded together into towns & villages

how do you "join up" across the park when all the villages think they are unique?

protect natural environment

CNPA Local Plan Consultation		
Community Council Area	Kingussie	
Meeting & Date	Main Event, 27 November 2004	
Staff/Facilitators present	Gavin Miles, Anna Barton, Tom Wade, Alan Hunt	
Attendance:	41	
Issue	Comments (and location, if applicable)	No. of similar comments
Housing	(Refs to grid on Kingussie map)	
Mixed	F10, G10, G9, G8 and F11	
Infill houses	C4, C5	
Infill houses	On garden ground these might be developed at lodge-style houses in keeping with the original house on the site	
Low cost	In perpetuity for renting and part ownership	2
	Housing should be restricted to Dunbarry and North End	
Business		
Small units	Must be affordable for small local businesses	
Small units	Market stance west of railway	
Protected Sites		
	Area behind West Terrace, which is not suitable for building development	6
	Leave this in the capable hands of SNH	
	Positive management of sites should be encouraged. Promote access and enjoyment	
	Woodland and open spaces at West Terrace	
Community Facilities		
	These are good – hope Park will continue to support them	2
	BMX and skate park would be well used by young locals	
Paths	More paths and open spaces accessible for all abilities	1
	Improve Gynack gardens	
Infrastructure		
Water & Sewage	Increased capacity urgently needed	1
Parking	More needed in town centre – move fire station to make room?	
	Parking is provided at Ardvonie and Folk Museum	5
	Make some central parking disabled only	1
	Make all High Street parking for less mobile only	1
Roads	Extend Dunbarry Road at 1.1 in HC Local Plan	
Lighting	Consider light pollution when planning new developments	1
Renewable Energy		
Energy Efficiency	Encourage energy efficiency measures in new housing	1
Renewable	Consider small-scale renewable options for housing schemes, district	1

	heating, solar, etc. Large scale wind farms likely to be incompatible with Park aims.	
Environment		
Grazing	Tackle grazing issues in a widespread integrated fashion	
Woodland	Conserve present woodland	3
	Maintain and manage mature trees as part of amenity and character of Kingussie	2
	Local parks and open spaces managed for biodiversity gain	1
Rangers	Where is Park's ranger service? Should be its presence in community	
	Open spaces in Dunbarry need some tree planting for amenity	
Path and fences	Up Gynack Road	
Cultural		
Signs	Sign saying "You are now entering the National Park" needed NOW.	2
	Kingussie is a town (described as village in HC Local Plan)	
	Don't spoil the character of West Terrace (don't let it become like Kinchurdy Road in Boat)	3
Signs	Needed for Iona Gallery – no-one can find it	4
	Community Council doesn't communicate with community	5
Design		
Size	Discourage large houses on small sites	3
	Encourage good design in new properties – slate roofs	3
	New developments to have traffic calming included	1
	Maximise infill development, e.g. Royal Hotel, Old Garage, empty shops	2
	Develop clear planning brief to encourage sympathetic development	
	All new houses should be built from sustainable, accredited sources and be wholly energy efficient	3
Other		
Planning	Leave planning to Highland Council and SNH	
	CNPA should be planning authority	
Comments compiled by: Anna Barton		