

QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS FOR MID-DEESIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA

1. Are you answering questions on behalf of:

	Base	No reply	Yes	No
household?	21	2	18	1
main residence?	18	0	17	1
business?	21	5	4	12

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

		No reply	Yes	No	?
open market housing to rent	21	3	11	6	1
open market housing to buy	21	3	10	7	1

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

		No reply	Yes	No	?
low cost housing to rent	21	3	14	3	1
low cost housing to buy	21	3	14	2	2
low cost housing to build	21	4	14	2	1

3. Where should housing be developed?

		No reply	Yes	No	?
within towns or villages	21	2	15	4	0
around towns or villages	21	2	13	6	0
in open countryside	21	2	5	14	0

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

Scope for new business sites/opportunities within community?	Yes	6
	No	2
	?	2

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

		No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified
Comm green spaces	21	7	14	0	0	2
parks/playing fields	21	5	15	1	0	1
paths	21	5	14	1	1	1
wildlife habitats	21	2	19	0	0	3
viewpoints/views	21	3	18	0	0	2

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

		No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified
roads	21	4	13	4	0	5
footpaths	21	8	6	7	0	3
cycle paths	21	7	7	7	0	2
waste water treatment	21	10	2	7	2	0
water supply	21	7	6	7	1	4

car parking	21	7	4	10	0	2
recycling	21	2	14	5	0	8
community fac.	21	4	12	5	0	7

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

	Base	No reply	Yes	No	?	area specified
tree planting	21	9	5	6	1	2
landscaping	21	10	4	7	0	1
walls and fences	21	6	9	6	0	2
wildlife habitat	21	9	8	3	1	3
pathways	21	9	7	4	1	1

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

		No reply	Yes	No	?	specified
Buildings	21	12	4	3	2	3
landscape features	21	13	3	3	2	1
archaeological sites	21	13	3	3	2	1
historical sites	21	14	2	3	2	1

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

		No reply	Yes	No	?	location specified
commercial wind farms	21	4	2	13	2	2
commercial HE	21	6	3	11	1	2
commercial biomass	21	7	2	11	1	1
community wind turbines	21	5	11	5	0	4
community HE	21	4	10	7	0	3
community biomass	21	5	11	4	2	4

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	8
	landscape	14
	buildings	5
	natural environment	13
	wildlife	13
	cultural heritage	3
	outdoor activities	1
	tourist attractions	2
	recreation facilities	0
	history	3
	quality of life	7
	social events	0
	community life	2

12. Are there wider environmental, cultural or sustainability issues

	No reply		Yes	No	? Description	
Environmental	21	13	5	1	2	1
Cultural	21	14	3	2	2	2
Sustainability	21	12	6	1	2	3

Questionnaire comments & suggestions to Q's 4-12:

Question 4	Scope for new business Yes No reply Yes	Where are possible sites? old buildings i don't care about low cost housing or people that live in such accommodation camping/holiday cottages poss at rear of Loch Kinord hotel
Question 4	Scope for new business Yes Yes Yes Yes No reply ?	What problems face businesses? need broadband Too expansive. closed minds shortage of good quality office space. Aboyne business centre is poor quality, badly maintained, roof leaks, no kitchen, poor ventilation and lighting and litter piled up at the door. shortage of affordable housing for staff local private estates private estates own the land
Question 5	area - green spaces village green Aboyne green, all of Glen Tanar, Monaltrie	
Question 5	area - parks Dinnet hall	
Question 5	area - paths Muir of Dinnet	
Question 5	area - habitats Cairngorms Muir of Dinnet wodland areas	
Question 5	area - viewpoints as marked on OS maps Muir of Dinnet	
Question 5	others General countryside, Flood plains	
Question 6	location - roads estate access roads; Dinnet - Glen Tanar Access points to NP are not sign posted - such signs would advertise the park and encourage road safety. Traffic calming required in villages eg Dinnet and Ordie	

reduce to 30mph

unadopted roads eg Old Hall - Glen Tanar - Netherton

local unadopted roads

Question 6 location - footpaths

riverside paths

improved to allow walks with buggies

Aboyne to Glen Tanar

Question 6 location - cycle paths

linking settlements

definitely 'no'

Question 6 location - water supply

Dinnet water form tap not pleasant

frequent probs with supply

untreated water does not meet EU regs

ridiculous pumping water uphill from Banchory

Question 6 location - car parking

encourage cycle/bus use

not enough - cars parked everywhere

Question 6 location - recycling

There are no facilities at Glen Tanar to recycle and there should be there aren't any

IT equipment - nearest place is Forres

hotel pays for community recycling eg glass as no public bins

none available at present

Dinnet

anything

paper

Question 6 location - comm. facilities

Local toilets for old line walkers (Dinnet)

Glen Tanar hall

village hall is in a state of collapse

Dinnet hall needs refurbishing

hall needs refurb and improvement

sports facilities

Logie Coldstone hall

Question 6 Q6 other

infrastructure Broadband

Question 7 where - tree planting

Muir of Dinnet
arboretum to be restored

Question 7 **where - landscaping**
Lecht and Glen Shee ski centres

Question 7 **where - walls and fences**
proper repair of drystone dykes
some estate stone walls

Question 7 **where - wildlife habitat**
Muir of Dinnet
Re-establish vegetation on Lecht and Glen Shee ski areas. Reduce deer no.s to allow vegetation to grow. Regenerate areas of Caledonian pine forest accidentally burnt whilst burning heather.
protect endangered species

Question 7 **where - pathways**
all ability path required

Question 7 **Q7 other**
Muir of Dinnet
bring back mixed farming

Question 8 **buildings**
current listed
village hall and many others require updating
Corse Castle, Knock Castle

Question 8 **landscape features**
queen's view, Tarland

Question 8 **what and where, archaeological sites**
incomplete site record

Question 8 **what and where - historic sites**
Historic stones eg Fluchwell(?) & other writings beside paths

Question 9a **location - commercial wind farms**
no where
not against wind farms but not in a NP. Not a problem if you can see them from the park.

Question 9b **location - commercial HE**
no where
if ecological damage is minimised

Question 9c location - commercial biomass

no where

Question 9d location - comm. wind turbines

Glen Tanar - Allachy

small tailor made utilities for power generation are the way forward in areas of low population density

no where

if applicable and the right site

Question 9e location - comm. HE

as above

no where

if applicable and the right site

Question 9f location - comm. biomass

Plentiful fuel locally

as above

no where

if applicable and the right site

Question 9 Q9 other

CNP

use wave technology

production of biodiesel as a replacement for road fuel

Question 10 Other developments - general overall answer

no dams and flooding large areas

more community involvement in the management of the NNR

Question 10 Developments not wanted in community

I don't want to see more housing

Question 10 Developments wanted in National Park

Tourism/tourist attractions

Question 10 Developments not wanted in National Park

Quarrying (ok adjacent to park, but not in it)

urban style housing on fringes of villages

Question 11 other

fishing, farming, shooting

Question 12 description - environmental

restore biological diversity

Question 12 description - cultural

more emphasis on continuity
more required

Question 12 description - sustainability

more comprehensive approach
integrated public transport system throughout whole park
recycling

extra information

jobs needed for local youngsters

this is a poor questionnaire, what about the dependence of the economy (of the community) and the environment on the major land users

CNPA Local Plan Consultation

Community Council Area		Mid Deeside, Dinnet
Meeting & Date		24th November 2004
Staff/Facilitators present		Jean Henretty, Anneke Stolte, Clair Fraser, Neil Stewart, Andrew Tait
Number attending		27
Issue	Comments (and location, if applicable)	No. of similar comments
Housing	Need for affordable low cost	3
	Need for housing governed by employment opportunities	
	Small scale housing	
	Land to the south of old railway line	
	Consolidation rather than elongated.	
	Perhaps more houses along roads	
	Some support for single houses but also concern about landscape impact	
	Infill development can impact on character of village	
	Housing association for rent or buy	2
	Elderly may prefer to move to larger settlements – Aboyne or Ballater	
	Refurbish derelict houses	
	Sites available in Ordie and Dinnet	
	No houses on moorland or around lochs	
	Houses in open countryside sets a precedent	
	More houses in Dinnet – need to expand boundary	
	Build on south east – outwith boundary	
	Traditional affordable & market price housing	
Infill sites at Ordie		
Affordable housing for young people – rented and managed by housing association – not for sale		
Business	More employment required	
	Sawmill on estate closed because of Health & Safety.	
	Garage – expanded	
	Tourism main source – seasonal staff difficult to house	2
	Old goods yard – small scale	
	Promote remote working – need for broadband or electric	2
	Need to work in the community	
	No large industrial development	
	More tradesmen required	
	Sailing and watersport at Loch Kinord	disagree
	Young people travelling to work in town	
	Shops like there used to be	
	Outdoor activities for tourists + locals – walking, fishing, wildlife viewing.	
	More signposted tracks - UDAT	
	Wooden chalet type of accommodation where caravans are at the moment (Kinord Hotel)	
Hide to view geese		
Heritage sites – Crannog, Celtic cross, hut circles give information		

	Dinnet Oakwood make it accessible + give information	
	Stable rents for start up units no high increase	
	Not good area for business park	
	Hotels being taken over by tour companies then don't let locals use facilities	
	Local involvement in tourism groups. Joint or collaborative projects to develop sustainable tourism	
Protected Sites	No comment	
Community Facilities	Include chute and trampoline in existing play park	2
	Improve community recreation facilities	
	Toilets – non at present	3
	Need to improve hall	2
	Lack of council maintenance	
	Little scope for more shops – not viable	
	Remove phone box at Ordie – road safety problem	
	Don't want existing entrance sign moved – concerns about CNPA gateway sign project	
	Pitches and playing fields needed	
	Need to maintain car park	
	Recycling near the car park	
	Picnic tables	
Infrastructure	Footpaths on southside of the road	
	Lack of public transport – only 2 buses from Ordie.	
	Village hopper to Aboyne	
	Mains water stuffed with chlorine – quality poor	
	No mains sewage	
	Sustainable ways of public drainage ie reed beds	
	Road improvements at Ordie – speed limits would not work.	2
	Road narrow at bridge near Ordie	
	Need to lengthen/reduce speed limit at Dinnet	
	Traffic calming measures	
	Improve un-adopted roads so that working folk get to work	
Renewable Energy	Should be scope for large scale wind turbines and small scale – all options solar, wind and renewables	
	Landing strip good site	
	Support hydro power at Loch Muick	
	Biomass using local timber waste	2
	Hydro electric at Dinnet Bridge	
	Energy efficient housing	2
	Community based small scale	
	Don't like wind farms	
	A must	
	Biomass heating to be part of any housing development throughout CNPA	
Environment	Protect Dinnet Muir – maintain	
	Have removed trees within Dinnet – regeneration if trees felled.	
	Maintain existing areas	

	Views overlooking Loch Davan	
	Promote Deeside Line footpath/mountain trail	
	New path around Loch Kinord	
	Run-off into Clarack Loch needs sorting	
	Protect local landscape	
	Overgrazing damaging woodland	
	Protect birchwood	
	Follow Marren Plan to encourage natural moorland	
	Fence off areas for deer protection	
	Protect woodland blocks	
	Recognise felled areas as still woodland habitat oakwood	
	Paths not always accessible	
	Was there common grazing?	
	Walks along the river	
	Educating public about poop scoops – need dog waste bins	
	Info board at car park	
	Forest - better clean up management after felling – unsightly; - mark fence around Dinnet oakwood (bird strikes) or take it down and make the wood more accessible.	
	Farmland silage, spraying fertiliser – not in the river (educate the farmers)	
	Burning and cutting of natural regeneration of pine, juniper should be stopped instead promote natural tree line	
	Newly bulldozed track on Morvan damaged hill	
	Curling pond to loch path needs improved	
	Railway path needs cleaned up	
Cultural	Protect Church	
	Stone circle near Kinord Loch	
	Crannog on Loch Kinord	
	Numerous wells in area	
	Do not remove stone	
	Maintain protection of existing heritage – views towards Lochnagar, Loch Davan, old Church	
Design	No advance signs – non illumination	
	No building lines – vary brings character	
	Housing design/public design in area poor	
	Support use of timber – renewable materials; Park should set an example	
	Set and require higher standards	
	Promote innovation/modern	
	Don't like bungalows	
	Vary design in housing development	
	Keep trees	
	Promote renewable- does not necessarily cost more in long term may be cheaper.	
	Need to have native landscaping – dry stane dyking – encourage employment.	
	New building in Dinnet not over 2 storey	
	Innovation and variation	
	Timber clad using local products	
	Ban concrete walls	

	There should be design constraints	
	Stick to granite and traditional	
	Stick to traditional signage	
	Park signage to be uniform throughout Park area	
Other		
What makes your community special?	In the heart of Deeside	
	Its location	
	Cherish the landscape, the wildlife, improve local facilities, tourism profile	
	Why is Ordie not recognised as a community, it should be.	
	The people	
Comments compiled by: Jean Henretty		

CNPA Local Plan Consultation		
Community Council Area	Mid Deeside, Glentinar	
Meeting & Date	30th November 2004	
Staff/Facilitators present	Jean Henretty, Anneke Stolte, Clair Fraser, Neil Stewart, Andrew Tait	
Number attending	12	
Issue	Comments (and location, if applicable)	No. of similar comments
Housing	Some more housing could be allowed in the countryside. Consider each application individually rather than restricting homes to zoned areas.	
	Homes should be for rent, or affordable/low cost to buy	
	Site new house where there are now ruins	
	Use old farm houses and buildings	
	Landscape ecological assessment evaluation needed before new housing site is chosen.	
	Compare different possible sites	
Business	Agriculture jobs and farming constrained by legislation.	
	Notification of CNPA funding should be advertised widely – eg land based training scheme	
	Off road safari – 4x4 trips along Glen Tanar	
	Land based jobs – footpath creation and maintenance.	
	Encourage young people to live and work on the land – school projects etc	
	Allow businesses to be sited where appropriate not in zoned sites.	
	Allow small businesses in the countryside	
	Grants for land based jobs	
	Cut the red tape	
	Outdoor activities and water sports at Loch Kinord	
	More jobs in the area might reduce commuting and encourage more “home” time	
	Jobs for local people rather than bringing in contractors	
	Jobs sensitive to environment and community	
	Tea room in Glen Tanar or farm shop at Braeloin	
	Nursery	
	B& B or bunkhouse accommodation	
Protected Sites	No comments	
Community Facilities	Glen Tanar hall needs repair	
Infrastructure	South Deeside roads not suitable for heavy haulage.	
	Chlorination of water supply affecting environment	
	Unadopted roads in bad repair	
	Hopper bus – need regular timetable	
	Shop vans don't come to Glen anymore	
	Poor quality of water from some of the wells – old pipes and well covers	

	Bridge at Tower of Ess ironwork damaged. Bad patching up rather than proper repairs.	
Renewable Energy	Hydro electric scheme in Dee at Dinnet	
	Water power in Glen Tanar to power visitor centre	
	Restore old turbine near chapel	
	Small scale	
	Insulation	
Environment	Problem with walkers not being responsible. Walkers go off paths on to agricultural land	
	Not enough public parking at Glen Tanar	
	Although Glen Tanar has a good path network very few paths are through the woodland, existing paths are on landrover tracks.	
	Not enough disabled access routes	
	Link path from Aboyne to Glen Tanar, cycle route	
	Quality of environment saved	
	Litter along roadside big problem – educate people/firms not to do it.	
	No clear felling or use of pest/herbicides	
	Better managed forests, no monoculture	
	Stop snaring, use more discriminate predator control	
	Burning on hills – more useful management, more resources	
	Don't use medicated grit for grouse – no proper research into how dangerous it is to other species. Could "soften" wild grouse.	
	Hill tracks – needed for land management. Should be managed, landscaped, graded. Routes v wildlife v public access	
Cultural	No comments	
Design	More innovative designs	
	Timber buildings	
	Rebuild dry stane dykes	
	Not necessary to keep traditional, modern design fine if they blend in.	
	Houses should be ecologically sound, heat/light pollution.	
	Sustainable using local materials.	
	Utilise existing buildings	
	Change of use more flexible	
	£800k for CNP signs is too much. Granite should be locally sourced.	
	Signs should not be extravagant.	
	No over signage, too many signs unsightly.	
	Why Queen Victoria signs?	
	Restore dry stane dykes	
	Remove redundant fences – dispose of old wire	
	No leylandii	
Comments compiled by:		Jean Henretty

Additional Written Representations

Issue	Comments	Received from:
Development sites	Suggestion of housing site in Dinnet, to the south of the old railway line; suggested site to the west of the garage; suggested re-development of the saw-mill site; and proposed infill development at Ordie.	Dinnet & Kinord Estate