

## **Broadband Update I – March 2012**

Thank you for taking the time to complete the recent digital connectivity survey. There was an excellent response rate and this has provided a strong and convincing evidence base for action. The full results, a short summary and a full analysis can all be found on the following webpage: <http://www.cairngorms.co.uk/live-work/digital-connectivity>

The Scottish Government's recent Digital Infrastructure Action Plan can also be found on the same page. Funding allocation, procurement and roll-out remain unclear at this stage but we are expecting a detailed implementation plan from the government at the end of March. The CNPA is in discussions with all five local authorities and HIE to ensure that isolated rural areas are not left behind in any roll-out and that more is done to improve the basic level of service now, as well as in the future. We have strong support from all local authorities in the Park and HIE for using the National Park as a focus for efforts to tackle the difficult isolated rural areas.

Updates on progress will be posted on the same digital webpage. For further information please contact [enquiries@cairngorms.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@cairngorms.co.uk) or the CNPA offices on 01479 873535