

# Our Community ... A Way Forward

## Dulnain Bridge Action Plan Review 2016

<b>HIGH PRIORITIES</b> <b>(in order of community's agreed priorities)</b>	<b>MEDIUM PRIORITIES</b>	<b>LOW PRIORITIES</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Safe cycle / footpaths to Grantown, Muckrach, Carrbridge, Broomhill</li> <li>2. Enforce speed limits and extend by 200m to east and west. Install traffic calming measures</li> <li>3. A 'Friends of Dulnain' pool of volunteers to put on village events</li> <li>4. Look into feasibility of café, visitor centre, shop, toilets</li> <li>5. Improved and integrated bus service for work and leisure</li> <li>6. Manage village parking through controls including 'No Parking' marked areas</li> <li>7. Affordable community-owned housing</li> <li>8. Remove old cars from road and woods at Skye of Curr (highway=police, land=estate)</li> <li>9. Improved mobile signal</li> <li>10. Grass cutting to improve visibility at Ballintomb &amp; Skye of Curr junctions (Cllr Douglas to take up with HC)</li> <li>11. More facilities for young people eg track for bikes, paintball, playpark upgrade, events in hall</li> <li>12. Make more of Roche Moutonnees – landscape behind / remove litter / revisit pond project</li> <li>13. Upgrade village website for improved communication for visitors and residents</li> <li>14. Increase / enhance use of hall and church as venues</li> <li>15. Repairs to riverside walk</li> <li>16. 'See and Do' noticeboard for visitors</li> <li>17. More dog waste bins (SoC Rd and woods)</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tidy up the village - Hall car park (garage looking into this), Rifle range ground, back of tin church</li> <li>• Picnic seats along river to appreciate the bridge</li> <li>• Public toilets</li> <li>• Upgrade of toilets at village hall</li> <li>• Promotion of local walks especially in the woods</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red squirrel rope bridge</li> <li>• Part time Ranger for local and night walks (CNPA initiative to promote 'volunteer' rangers)</li> <li>• Wildlife interpretation on walks (build on path leaflets?)</li> <li>• Reduce street lighting</li> <li>• Inverness signposted at road end to bring tourists through the village?</li> </ul> <p>(Lee Haxton, CNPA to check with Local Energy Scotland re possibility of a hydro scheme on the Dulnain)</p>

### Priority 1 – Safe walking and cycling routes (23 votes)

- Key partners will be The Highland Council, CNPA and Sustrans
- A substantial improvement may come as part of the RAILS 2 Grantown project
- Was also a top priority in 2008, so disappointing to see little improvement
- Perhaps a path to Muckrach would be a straightforward quick-win?
- Capital funding can be found (such as Community Links) and potential for Tom na Clach funds to be used for maintenance

### Priority 2 – Speeding in the Village (12 votes)

- The Highland Council and Police Scotland likely to be key partners (Jaci Douglas happy to lead)
- Links to visibility splays, which, along with car parking, were identified as a significant safety concern

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### **Priority 3 – Friends of Dulnain (12 votes)**

- A pool of volunteers to organise social and community events for the village
- The Tea-in-the-Park example in Glenlivet could be an interesting model

### **Priority 4 – A café or shop (7 votes)**

- This could become a visitor attraction and employment opportunity in the village
- Potential to use the old shop and post office?

### **Priority 5 – Improved and integrated bus service (7 votes)**

- This is an ongoing issue, with points to bear in mind such as:
  - The Highland Council are currently redoing their contracts (Jaci Douglas happy to lead)
  - Despite demands for change, the changes do not often result in significant increases in use
  - A number of buses are diverted at commuting times to do school pick up and drop off

### **Priority 6 – Car parking in the village (6 votes)**

- The Highland Council, Police Scotland and Reidhaven Estate are the key partners
- Concerns over safety crossing the A938, especially for school children
- Car parking around the back of the garage and village hall can also be difficult
- Car parking in Fraser Road is dangerous, with residents parking on pavements, instead of round the back of their properties
- Still concerns over abandoned cars on Skye of Curr road

### **Priority 7 – Community-owned housing (5 votes)**

- Acknowledged as a much bigger issue, but lower votes due to those in attendance mainly being home owners already
- Opportunity to do something positive over next 2-3 years with Rural Housing Fund
- Windfarm money could be used for investment in properties
- 2 areas of the village already identified in LDP for housing
- Ron MacWilliam is willing to lead on this