

TC report to CCC: November – December

Please see separate submission relating to development of major tourist site at Claish Farm.

Online meetings attended – local organisations

CCC – 3 hours

CCDT – 3 hours

CE – 1 hour

VIC – 3 hours

CLP – 1.5 hours

Online meetings with external organisations

Webinar – Impact engagement – Local and Community Resilience – 3.5 hours

DTAS AGM + Webinars – 3 Hours

Funding Fair – 2 hours

Talk to Uni of Highlands and Islands students – 1 hour

Home Energy Scotland – 1.5 hours

Creative Stirling – 1.5 hours

Shaun Marley SC – 1 hour

Telephone conference

Michelle Flynn SC – 2 hours in total

Aberfoyle CC – Joyce Kelly – 2 hours in total re LPP

Maggie – CAB 1 hour

LPP – total time spent this month – 8 days

I have completed the initial quantitative research suggested by USP and have been drawing up a research plan for each stage of the consultation process. Brian McKay and Roger Watt have offered to sit on the steering group for CCC. Together we have been refining the research plan and the scope of public consultations.

I have asked for 2 volunteers from CCDT but as yet nobody has come forward.

Early next year I hope to get 1 representative each from CE, CYP, the Leisure Centre and a teacher representative from one or both schools.

Home Energy Scotland have approached CCDT with a view to forming a working partnership. They are working on behalf of Govt. to maximise efficient use of energy. A proposal for working with Callander residents was submitted and approved at the last CCDT meeting.. This alliance potentially builds upon the findings in the report produced by Callander and Climate Change and accords with the CAP.

I have been discussing the need for an organised initiative for lifelong learning in Callander with CAB. Having identified that 24% of residents do not have any qualifications at all I

Maggie Magor suggested that this would be of great benefit to those living in poverty but that it would need to be 'sold' in the best way – there is a strong resistance to perceived authority in Callander but I have discussed the idea of using 'influencers' with SH and AD

and one person has agreed to help, if the project moves forward. SC can supply support for any project that offers to provide meaningful qualifications to those who have none. Such a project would also attract a wide range of funding from the major Trusts and Charities. This would be a long-term project and would need structural support to ensure community buy-in.

I have continued to discuss the smart town programme with Shaun Marley and have informed him that CCDT can provide a base for the transmitter at VIC. Installation was subject to finding a suitable premises and, in theory, there is no reason why Callander cannot have IOT access in 2021.

Having said that I provided all the necessary information for the free Wi-Fi access along the Main Street but Shaun did not provide any updates on the funding application and so I must assume that, once again, Stirling failed to deliver.

Administrative tasks

I estimate that I spent around 3 days in total on standard admin as well as 2 hours helping Anne D to organise the Christmas Meal delivery. I spent around a day, working with LI to apply for funding for the Christmas lighting.