

TC report – May 2021.

LPP

There is a general stasis at the moment. I am keen to move onto the first focus groups but, for transparency, need to have an online presence established before we start. We will also need to distribute leaflets to all households explaining the process and where to access information. I am applying to SC for funding for this and for a SurveyMonkey account

Andy Tatnell has generously agreed to facilitate the focus groups as a community service, with no charge.

It is probable that the first focus groups will be with community volunteers. This would bring people together who will have a unique perspective on the community, along with direct involvement with the wide range of projects that have been undertaken over the past 5 years. Members of this group will be invited to participate rather than a general call to action being made.

I have prepared an estimate of costs for the entire LPP project details of which are shown below:

Local Place Plan Costs	Assume costs to run from March 2021-December 2022		
Expenditure	Comment	Funder	Cost
Focus groups - 9.	45 participants	TBC	£0
Website - 2 years		CCDT	£1,500
Advertising	allow	TBC	£250
Leaflets	2000 copies x2	TBC	£500
Contributor incentives		TBC	£100
Public meetings room hire etc	allow	TBC	£250
Presentation printing	allow	TBC	£200
Town Co-ordinator - 50% of 21 months' fee		CCDT	£17,800
Final report design	allow	TBC	£1,500
Final report printing	2,500 copies	TBC	£3,500
SurveyMonkey subscription	21 months	TBC	£675
Estimated total cost			£26,275
CCDT committed funding			£19,300
Additional funding required			£6,975

I submitted a response to the Govt's (very long) consultation document on LPPs, highlighting the need for centralised funding from Govt for all LPPs on a per-household basis, as well as stressing the need for quantifiable evidence gathering.

I am in the process of collating quantitative data that will allow residents to see some of the changes that have taken in the town place since the last CAP. I have also carried out a business audit of the town and am putting this into an easy-to-understand format. Once complete this data will be available on the LPP website and will be updated on a quarterly basis throughout the consultation

FOI response

I have received a series of heavily redacted emails from SC. However, amid the sea of black I have managed to pull out some interesting points. I have made these available to CCC and CCDT and RW has circulated to CCC. I feel that it is not cost effective (in terms of my time) to chase the many missing documents. Put simply SC have failed to deliver any information relating to the £2.5 million funding pot assigned for tourism development in Callander.

VIC

I applied for, and was awarded, £4000 for the VIC from SC. I have also prepared a funding submission for a digital screen and associated technology to support CLP's information points around the town.

IoT mast

I have finally had a response from SC. Their flooding team are 'putting something together' around adding flood warning capability to their system. I am meeting with Shaun and the contractors to discuss additional capabilities around traffic and footfall monitoring next week.