

Theme 1 : A Safe and Accessible Place

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
Lobbying to reduce traffic speed through the village by limiting in the main village centre to 20 mph, creating traffic calming measures on Main Street and installing traffic cameras.	KCC WDC Police Scotland	KCC to discuss speed solutions with WDC & Police Scotland.	Reduction of speed limit in village to 20 mph	ScotGov plan is to introduce these over the next 2 years.		KCC lobbying to get an earlier introduction of this.
			Other traffic calming measures	WDC will investigate the feasibility of a new speed warning sign at the west end. They do not want to use a speed notification.	Replace flashing *30* with a flashing measured speed notification	WDC may just opt for a *smiley face* indicator not an actual speed notification. Police Scotland do many random checks as it is and fine any speeding motorists.
			Cameras	Police Scotland say that we fail the criteria for cameras.	Community can raise money and supply their own.	
Installing a light controlled crossing over A811 between Duncryne Terrace and the play park to allow safe crossing.	KCC WDC	KCC to discuss details of proposed pedestrian crossing with WDC and residents of Duncryne Terrace.		This has been approved and the budget allocated. Due mid-2026		
Create more passing places and extend/elongate the existing ones on 'C' roads and add "No Parking" signs to passing places.	KCC WDC LLTNPA	Residents to identify hot-spots of Passing Place abuse, KCC to liaise with residents on which Passing Places to extend or location of additional	Additional passing places	WDC say it is OK in principle but would be costly due to land acquisitions needed to form new passing places.	Community consultation would be essential to find the most needed spots. Land owner discussions will also be needed to check feasibility.	

		ones. KCC to lobby WDC for delivery.	Signage of existing passing places	Initial discussion KCC/WDC on 10/01/2024. No money available for new signs/poles. No objection to community funding of this.	KCC & KCT to liaise with community to raise funds for new signs.	
Create more authorised parking spaces with EV chargers at the hall car park.	KMHA	KMHA to explore funding for the implementation of EV charging points.		Accepted in principle. Needs costs working out and funding.	Revenue from solar project could fund the feasibility study. KMHA has 3-phase which could be used for rapid chargers.	Revenue from Solar will be insufficient. Assess 7kW vs 21 kW provision.
Create safe cycle routes.	KCT WDC LLTNPA	KCT to work with the National Park and local authority to secure funding for pathways and cycle paths.		Initial discussion KCC/WDC on 10/01/2024. WDC creating an Active Travel Strategy during 2024	Community consultation would be essential to find and prioritise the most needed routes. Land owner discussions will also be needed to check feasibility.	Active Travel Strategy published which will assist funding applications.
Safe walking route from the school/nursery to the Millennium Hall.	KCC KCT Parents Group				Discuss with parents association. Confirm land ownership. Discuss with landowners.	DUPLICATED BELOW. Re-assess need after introduction of 20mph limit.
A new bus stop with bus shelter at the East End of the village by the football field.	KCC WDC SPT?			WDC suggested contacting Donald Booth at SPT for overview of process.	Community consultation. KCC to follow up on process.	DUPLICATED BELOW.
Reinstatement of the footway/pavement alongside	KCC WDC	KCC to continue to work with WDC regarding safe use of		Long term project discussed KCC/WDC on 10/01/2024	Next section from Ashfield House to scrap yard resurfacing ongoing	

the A811 between Ballagan and Gartocharn.		the footway along the A811.				
NCN7 & John Muir Way : Improve safety of cyclists and walkers crossing the A811 at Reid & Robertson by installation of a light controlled crossing.	KCC WDC LLTNPA			WDC informed KCC that a budget for this has been allocated and will be installed in the coming year.		WDC are also considering extending Balloch's 40mph limit out to the new crossing location which may in turn need additional street lighting and therefore more cost.
Safe access along existing village pavements.	KCC WDC	KCC to discuss pavement parking with residents before talking to WDC.				

Theme 2 : A Linked Up Place

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
Advocate for a bus that connects Balloch and Balfron/Stirling and enhance bus connectivity across the region.	KCC WDC Stirling Council SPT	Initiate a detailed survey into transport including with neighbouring villages.				
Creation of bus stop with shelter at the play park.		Establish a dialogue with SPT on adding a bus stop at the play park in conjunction with further consultation on specific project of a crossing and bus stop opposite Duncryne Terrace.		WDC referred KCC to Donald Booth at SPT.	Probably need to check with WDC also.	DUPLICATE
Lobby for smarter bus times to link to train times at Balloch.	KCC SPT				Investigate process	
Create a safe network of walking routes from Gartocharn to Drymen and also to Balloch, with side routes e.g. from the junction of Church Road and Mill Loan to the War Memorial and to the Old Kirk. Link routes could be made to the RSPB	KCT KCC WDC LLTNPA Sustrans Landowners	Re-open dialogue with Sustrans, LLTNPA, and WDC about active travel. Engage in further discussion, led by KCC and KCT working together and involving the community, over how best to facilitate walking routes to Balloch and Drymen and to the Old Kirk	Balloch to Gartocharn			A811 footway has two pinch points that fail the width criteria for "Active Travel".
			Gartocharn to RSPB	Planning permission granted to RSPB but they are awaiting funds to implement.		
			RSPB to Drymen	Initial discussions with landowners		

site and the metal bridge.		and War Memorial taking into account the interests of land owners and residents as well as walkers. Where preferred routes are determined, KCT to work with the National Park and local authority to secure funding for pathways and cycle paths.		have been held. Not all are in favour.		
			RSPB to Old Kirk			
			Old Kirk to Croftamie			
			Other ??	A section of Aber path has been resurfaced.		Planning application live but some works are completed.
			War memorial access could be linked to any future RSPB/KOKT path or have its own path along edge of Little America	Move the WM	KOKT interested in this option	
Repair and restore Aber Path Bridge.	KCT LLTNPA Landowners	Re-open dialogue with landowners and LLTNPA		COMPLETED. Bridge repaired.	LLTNPA to secure new landowner agreement(s) Move bridge Post warning signs if not repaired	
Explore the possibility of a new pathway from the corner of Church Road to the school grounds.	KCC KCT Parents Group Landowners			School children have returned a survey on how safe they feel getting to and from school.	Re-assess need after introduction of 20mph speed limit.	DUPLICATE The ideal route will require a bridge.

Initiate a car sharing scheme.	???	Further work should be done with residents about the level of community interest in car share, community transport etc.				
Access to a village controlled shared electric vehicle.	KCT KMHA Community Transport Association	Establish a diverse community transport scheme.				
		KCT to work with the KMH to secure an electric car for shared use in the community.				
Regular maintenance of pavements and hedges.	KCC WDC KCT KMHA	Consider setting up local work parties to address hedge and other environmental maintenance.			Expand to garden maintenance for elderly/disabled	

Theme 3 : A Climate Friendly Place with a Sustainable Environment

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
We will establish a way of sharing knowledge and experience to help organisations, the community and individuals convert appropriately to new energy solutions.	KCT	Create a community Net Zero group, to share understanding and practical experience of steps to reduce household and business carbon footprints.	Host Green Energy Event	COMPLETED Greener Gartocharn	Periodic repeat event? Stall for Friday coffee mornings	
			Communal Thermal Imaging Cameras	COMPLETED Two purchased	Set up a loan register and procedure	

We will explore the possibility of a publicly available EV charging point in the hall car park.	KMHA	Explore options for community promotion of EV chargers in the village.	KMH car park	See above.	Feasibility study to be funded by KCT solar revenue.	DUPLICATE
			"Duck pond"			
			House of Darrach	Letter sent by KCC to owners regarding collaboration on future use.		
			Encourage private domestic installations			
Establish an active travel hub with e-bike hire for local people and visitors.	KCT KMHA		KMH			
			RSPB			
			House of Darrach	Letter sent by KCC to owners regarding collaboration on future use.		
Initiate more extensive and smarter waste collection facilities for glass, clothing, batteries, toys etc. with better information on how to recycle.	KCC WDC Stirling Council Neighbouring CC's	Request WDC to provide facilities for glass recycling in the village, if the Community can agree on a site. Discuss the possibility of a battery recycling facility with the village shop owner.	Glass collection	KMA agreed to a 3 month trial on glass collection but WDC did not follow up.		KCC to discuss with WDC Waste & Recycling Dept
			Other recyclables :		Produce and distribute a list of nearby recycling collection points Provide recycling advice via stall at Friday coffee mornings and/or leafleting & social media.	KCC to host WDC Waste & Recycling Dept at a meeting to discuss Recycling progress.
Establish a food growers collective	KCT KMHA			Primary school children are kick		KCT assisting GPS teachers

where local residents can share the produce they grow.				starting a small project which may form the beginning of a bigger scheme.		
Resurrect the annual Village Show with a section dedicated to local produce.	KCC KCT KMHA			A one-off show was arranged in 2025 for the KMH 25 th anniversary. See if the organisers are happy to assist on an annual show.	Investigate local interest and sign up volunteers to assist.	
Nature based solutions should be included in any calculations towards Net Zero	KCC LLTNPA				For next LDP and policies	
		KCC to discuss flood mitigation with Local Authorities (WDC & Stirling) and encourage them to commission a flood mitigation study & to engage with farmers about reduction of flooding from fields.				
	KCC WDC	Ask KCC, WDC, and Community Police, to co-ordinate an annual litter-pick. Request WDC	Community litter pick		Follow Smartocharn 'model'.	No interest shown in organising a litter pick using WDC assistance with equipment and uplift of collected litter.

		Greenspace to provide more frequent litter picking on A811.	A811 verges		Lobby for annual cleanup schedule	
	KCT	Feasibility study into a village wide renewable energy scheme.		KCT/KMA/GT solar array due in 2026	Liaise with Glasgow Community Energy	
	KCT CTA Neighbouring development trusts	Research a costed plan for sustainable community led transport as well as funding for a demonstration project.			Liaise or collaborate with other CT groups Liaise with Drymen and Croftamie groups	

Theme 4 : A Family Centred Place

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
A feasibility study into innovative community led after-school care provisions should be implemented with a view to establishing a sustainable pre and after school provision beyond the statutory minimum.	KCC WDC Parents Group	Meetings should take place with WDC to discuss options.	All local children to be catered for or at least have priority for places if limited.	KCT had basic discussion with GPS regarding current provision and gaps with the needed provision. PG survey feedback showed interest in a scheme with indicative fees but no volunteers to run it.	Parents need to come up with a plan.	This would likely have to be a privately funded and operated scheme outside of school premises.
			All age groups catered for.	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto

			9 to 5 coverage, 5 days per week.	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto
Address the parking issue at the school.	KCC WDC Parents Group			KCT discussed issue with school.	WhatsApp based system with allocated Time slots. Shuttle bus to KMH car park. Safe routes for walking between school and KMH car park.	
Encourage active travel to the school with safe routes.				KCT discussed issue with school.		
Find a way to create affordable housing for families to increase local take-up of places at school.						
Resurrect the annual Village Show with a section dedicated to children's projects.				KCT discussed issue with school.	Collect project entries in final term of school year.	Timing of Village Show in school summer holidays is an issue.

Theme 5 : A Place with Excellent Facilities

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
Initiate a feasibility study to reinstate a pub/café in the former House of Darrach or a facility at the Millennium Hall.	KCT KMHA HoD owner	Consider the reinstatement of the cafe. KCT to commission a feasibility study.		Letter sent by KCC to HoD owner regarding collaboration on future use.		

Install a public toilet or open up access to existing toilets.	KCC KCT KMHA HoD owner WDC	Approach KMH about access to public toilets and how this could be sustained by donations or sponsorship.		Letter sent by KCC to HoD owner regarding collaboration on future use. KMA cannot provide access to the toilets when hall is closed.		
Encourage the community to experiment with more group activities e.g. fitness, art, adult education, community cinema, walking.	KMHA	Consult with the KMH as the key local facility about diversifying their offering.		Community consultation		
Improve coordination and marketing through a central booking system and a resource to promote events coordinated by a part time events and development officer.	KMHA KOKT			KOKT have a development officer. KMA have a new booking system and coordinator.		
Explore the possibility of developing youth led services possibly seeking funds for a part youth worker.	KCC WDC Gartocharn FC				Possibly progress this through existing youth groups in wider area.	
Improve the play park including safe access to it.	KCT WDC				If a pedestrian crossing is to be installed, a verge or pavement needs to be created with a	

					gate into the play park.	
Invest in the Old Kirk as a key village asset.	KOKT	Kilmaronock Old Kirk Trust to convert the interior of the Old Kirk as a Community Heritage Hub		COMPLETED KOKT have completed internal renovations and have a heritage display and employed a development officer.		
Stimulate projects that will celebrate the heritage of the place - a further action to collect historical facts and update the village's Wikipedia page has been suggested	KOKT			KOKT now have a heritage display and employed a development officer.		
Resurrect the annual Village Show with a section dedicated to local handicrafts, art etc.	KCT			A one-off show was arranged in 2025 for the KMH 25 th anniversary. See if the organisers are happy to assist on an annual show.	Investigate local interest and sign up volunteers to assist.	

Theme 6 : A Living and Vibrant Place

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
Commission a Housing Needs and Demand Analysis (HNDA) and undertake a site options appraisal in	KCC LLTNPA	Commission an independent site options appraisal and HNDA.				

consultation with the community.						
Establish small scale community owned affordable housing in response to that research.	KCC LLTNPA	Liaise with a registered social landlord or sensitive housing developer to encourage such a development in collaboration with the local community. Projects Implementation Plan Kilmarnock Local				
Focus housing on local young families and single people and supported solutions for older people who want to downsize.	KCC LLTNPA	Liaise with the planners to identify a site or sites and the scale and nature of a development.		LDP2 process is underway and a call for sites and ideas is open until 26 th April.	Community consultation Engagement with the formation of the Local Development Plan.	
Lobby for infrastructure to be improved to service increased demand including the water treatment plant, sewerage and utilities.	KCC WDC Scottish Water					

Miscellaneous :

Objectives	Lead org(s)	Tasks	Goals	Status	Suggestions	Comments
	KCC Police Scotland	KCC to liaise with Police Scotland regarding Anti-Social Behaviour			Invite SPARC to KCC meeting	

		and rural crime prevention.				
	KCC WDC	KCC to discuss with WDC the diligence on checking utility repairs are completed to good standard and verges made good and maintained.		KCC and WDC discussed this at length in the February meeting.		See minutes of meeting.

Working with LLTNPA

1. Living Well Locally – Housing and Planning

Objectives	Tasks	Status	Comments
Small scale housing of 2-3 bedrooms being prioritised over more substantial properties. These would be more affordable and suitable for new families or older people releasing their larger homes to general stock.			
Promotion of single storey housing to benefit elderly or less able bodied persons. Also helps with housing market mobility.			
Promotion of Carbon neutral housing within LDP Housing Policies for obvious benefit to counter Climate Change. This applies to alterations as much as new builds.			
The addition of a disability category to the LDP Housing Policies.			
Promotion of development for rental rather than sale.			
Any multiple unit developments to provide infrastructure impact assessment e.g. travel plan to major hubs, population equivalent values for public Water & Sewage use, traffic effects (access & egress to road network), off road parking, EV charging facilities etc.			
Sympathetic infill housing out with the village envelope – the opposite of clumping (massing). This makes use of some unproductive land to provide economic benefit to landowners and contribute to the housing supply. It also disperses development from a crowded central location with its traffic and parking issues.			
Placement of more weight on statutory consultees SEPA & Scottish Water to deliver stronger assessments of impacts of sewage treatment			

whenever an application proposes a discharge to any watercourse.			
Provision of a clear statement of intent that the LLTNPA will be rigorous in upholding land designations and will act in support of the Scottish Government's ambition to increase the area they cover from 18% to 30%.			

2. Living Well Locally – Amenities and Facilities

Objectives	Tasks	Status	Comments
LLTNPA review the LDP & associated policies to promote provision and retention of local amenities and facilities that will help communities reduce their travel footprint e.g. proper scrutiny of change of use classes that impact on community facilities including pubs, cafés, shops, toilets etc.			
LLTNPA to liaise across council borders with Transport providers to coordinate public transport services that connect villages across council boundaries with each other and the major transport hubs.			

3. Natural Open Spaces

Objectives	Tasks	Status	Comments
Promote provision for habitat restoration in development applications either as part of the development or developer contribution to a community accessible fund.			
Promote enjoyment of managed Natural Space by improving accessibility by sustainable means e.g. safe routes for walking, cycling, wheelchair use.			
Improve connectivity between popular sites via said saferoutes.			

4. Paths and Cycleways

Objectives	Tasks	Status	Comments
LLTNPA take more responsibility in maintenance and improvement of the existing path network by having good Landowner Agreements in place for Rights of Way and Core Paths at the very least.			
LLTNPA to reduce bureaucratic burden on Community Bodies who are engaged in projects to maintain and improve paths on their behalf.			
LLTNPA to assist Community Bodies in accessing funding for Active Travel projects large and small.			

5. Enjoyment of Outdoor Spaces by All

Objectives	Tasks	Status	Comments
More investment in outdoor education. This could be in schools at all age levels, online resources through social media, public facing online presences not just LLTNPA website and make leaflets available all tourist accommodation providers.			
Encourage Community Councils and Development Trusts to promote the educational material and the work of partners such as the Royal Highland Educational Trust (RHET).			

6. Pollution / Protection of Natural Resources

Objectives	Tasks	Status	Comments
LLTNPA to take more responsibility in tackling litter throughout the National Park not just on LLTNPA owned land.			

LLTNPA to liaise with Local Authorities, Community Councils and Development Trusts and volunteers to remove or prevent litter.			
LLTNPA to require SEPA responses to all Planning Applications involving ANY discharge of sewage outflows to a water course.			
LLTNPA take the lead with WDC, SW & SEPA to raise awareness and monitor run-off water quality for continual improvement.			
LLTNPA continue the Seasonal reviews with all Stakeholders to maintain a priority list of infrastructure improvement needs and encourage existing and future tourism providers to participate in provision of parking, bins and toilet facilities.			