

February 2020 - Details of progress on each priority action item

Issue 1 - Paths to different parts of the Community – Lead group LFT – contact Cristian Pizarro at LFT office at Wolftrax – 01528544366

Update Feb 20 – Steering Group Formed - A feasibility study is taking place via funding from Sustrans. Consultant appointed to ensure community and landowner engagement. Community Consultation event 25th Feb in Village Hall plus survey.

Issue 2 – Improve communication between/with Community Groups – Lead Group Laggan Community Council – contact chairlcc@laggan.com

Update Feb 20 – invites from LCC to other voluntary groups in Laggan to participate as associate members of LCC. Laggan.com website being updated for all community groups to use. Calendar and Events page regularly updated info@laggan.com is e-mail contact details to post community events along with Facebook pages for the Community Council, Laggan Community, Laggan Village Hall.

Issue 3 – Keep Village Clean and Community Spaces well maintained – lead group Village Amenity Group – contact via Liz Macfarlan

Update Feb 20 – Group has initiated a tidy up around the Public Toilet in the village, undertaken re-planting of the planters acquired in Spring 2019 and created “take your litter home” signs for use by landowners in lay-bys. 6 signs have been taken by Ardverikie Estate, to use in lay-bys. Local landowners are being consulted about the siting and fixing of the rest.

Issue 4 – Upgrade Village Hall to serve future community needs – to have a better used hall.

Update Feb 20 – New community events list for 2020 published on-line on Facebook and laggan.com.

Issue 5 – Attracting and Keeping Visitors in Laggan – lead group LCC

Update Feb 20 - First meeting held in November 19 – general principle – how to attract and retain visitors to spend an extra night in the Laggan Area. Visitor Information points now established at the Laggan Coffee Bothy and Laggan Wolftrax Centre. Need identified to audit interpretation boards and signs throughout area especially historical and archaeological information in area. Support outcomes of the Badenoch Great Place Project. Continue to promote Upper Spey as part of Speyside Way. Mignonne Khazaka from LCC to establish and coordinate a “businesses group”.

Issue 6 – Housing – Lead group – Laggan Community Trading Ltd.

Update Feb 20 – local resident housing survey completed in December 19. A New non-resident survey issued and closes on March 2nd 2020. Objective to assess support for additional 4-5 low cost/affordable houses in the Laggan area. Survey information on LCT page of laggan.com website.