



NPF4 CALL FOR IDEAS - STIRLING

This overview provides a summary of ideas and mapping generated at the event held at **The Barracks, Forthside Way, Stirling**, on 28 February 2020 where a total of 58 people attended the workshop and drop-in sessions.



MAJOR THEMES IN RELATION TO THE SIX DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

What development will we need to address climate change?

- Culture shift - Stop low density car dependant housing
- Work with nature based solutions to reduce carbon; support eco-systems; community growing
- Move to electric transport
- Sustainable travel options - expand walking and cycling networks
- Good public and community transport schemes
- Low carbon and energy efficient buildings
- Support community empowerment
- Joined up working across sectors and networks
- Renewable energy; monitoring and manage waste; reduce use; better consumer awareness; heat networks
- Ambition – create green jobs
- Better digital connectivity
- Natural flood management
- Better integrated regulatory processes – quality of outcomes; Work with public health

How can planning best support our quality of life, health and wellbeing in the future?

- Listen to, and work with, communities – citizen's panels and other methods
- Promote values over monetary cost / Achieve outcomes – health; openness; equality
- Wild land is an asset; value of green space
- Support community and public transport; more walking and cycling
- Sustainable rural strategy
- Quality of housing; accessible, affordable housing for all ages; associated facilities; assess impact of developments; build communities
- Invest in community; more economic development; rural jobs
- Manage flooding – new and retrofit
- Access leisure facilities

What does planning need to do to enable an economy that benefits everyone?

- Support local work; less commuting – less carbon, better health outcomes
- Wealth for all; smart decision making; good connections; sustainable economies; renewables creates jobs
- Better integration of thinking and systems – consider consequences; better outcomes for all
- Improved digital connectivity
- Support circular economy; more 'good' jobs
- Good public and community transport links



How can planning improve, protect and strengthen our places?

- Empower communities; local ownership of decision making; local communities care about their place
- See wider value of land management; manage land banking
- Support inter-generational communities
- 'Green' resilience; more recycling
- Support renewable energy
- Better use of vacant and derelict land; 'green' initiatives
- Value and protect natural habitat and eco-systems
- Green (+ cycle) networks and nature corridors
- Deliver housing fit for the future; manage vacancy and holiday homes; housing works with other uses (e.g. to support town centre)
- Retain and promote sense of place
- Proactive flood management
- Ethical development; focus on sustainable and resilience; re-imagined / denser communities

What infrastructure do we need to plan and build to realise our long term aspirations?

- Climate emergency – key to decision making; avoid disconnect between national and local
- Better (electrified / low carbon) public transport to all communities
- Encourage walking and cycle networks
- Repair and maintain mountain hill paths
- Deliver green and blue networks
- Support renewable energy
- Rollout broadband / digital connectivity
- Make best use of (and celebrate) infrastructure – link to outcomes
- Reform land ownership / stop land banking

'ONE BIG THING'

- Embed circular economy; Zero waste
- Long term holistic solutions; More emphasis on implementation, monitoring and reporting
- Allotments, community growing and greenspace
- Achieve carbon emissions targets – recognise opportunities
- Sustainable transport options - Active travel (supports economic and tourist possibilities)
- Flexible support for renewable energy
- Digital connectivity; High speed broadband
- Designated national priorities
- Community engagement; Support local outcomes
- No building on floodplains
- Recognise rural areas as vibrant for live / work
- Achieve things

The following pages provide a record of the ideas and maps that were produced.
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'CLIMATE CHANGE' - What development will we need to address climate change?			
WOULD LIKE TO SEE...	BECAUSE...	WHO CAN BEST MAKE THIS HAPPEN...	THEME/S
Housing development which is car dependent stopped eg East Lothian	it is embedding carbon into our urban fabric and designed to be car friendly not public transport friendly because it is low density	National planning policy and local authorities	Culture shift - Stop low density car dependant housing
a cultural shift where driving a car is a privilege not a right. Get people to stop and think before they step in a car	too many of us see driving a car as a right, not a privilege	Greta T and everyone on the planet.	
New developments are planned around natural climate change solutions eg trees and peatland	needed to take carbon out of atmosphere, meet our net zero target	Scottish Government probably	Work with nature based solutions to reduce carbon; support eco-systems; community growing
Re-wilding of grouse moors and farmland	working with nature to deliver nature based solutions. Reduce emissions	SG Environment and SNH	
Encourage the planting of woodland as long term carbon capture.	required to increase biodiversity and allow reforestation which is not just for felling	Scot Gov through Scottish Forestry	
more indigenous trees. Condition of new housing developments - plant more trees	reduce climate change	Scottish Government	
More rewilding of areas not nec lynx, wolves etc but improving biodiversity	to mitigate climate change, improve air and water quality, more aesthetically pleasing, increase biodiversity, stall extinction rates	Scot Gov, local communities, SNH, SEPA, forest land, transport providers	
Encourage local food growing spaces/ Incentives for landowners to manage land environmentally. Value green space. Improve condition of biodiversity and nature.	This and many other activities impact on climate change	Almost all the agencies involved in delivering services and infrastructure in a place	
More growing spaces and community allotments for resilience. More growing and greenspace within housing and communities/ land decontamination issues in relation to above.	health, wellbeing, mental health, place standards, ecology improved, green corridors	change the presumption towards the developer and increase/or create a presumption towards communities of place and interests.	
Rapid and focused development to move to a managed electrified transport infrastructure. Presumptions changed in favour of electric infrastructure.	we only have 15 years to 2035 using current approvals timescales that will give about 10-5 years for delivery. Emergency means move quickly.		Move to electric transport
Improved electric vehicle transportation.			
Electric car charging points. Solar/home batteries	climate change	empower communities	
Expansion of national cycling and walking network to include local routes	contribute to active travel outcomes, which will get people out of their cars and reduce emissions.	SG planning. Transport Scotland	Sustainable travel options - expand walking and cycling networks
Far more travel by bike - commuting, holidays, hence improve cycleway and pathways	reduce carbon emissions - improve health of people		



More places that enable sustainable travel and reduce travel	reduce co2	planners, local authorities, transport Scotland, STPR2, NGO's	
Free electric bikes everywhere, including ones with space to carry stuff/children/ ability to purchase cheaply	more active people, less cars. If they become the norm, the will be less likely to be stolen.	Transport folk	
Better, more sustainable transport policies. Creative walking and cycling infrastructure improvement.			
Safer cycle travel.			
Funded public transport and networks for cycling paths.			
Support for community transport schemes	this will reduce carbon emissions and it is shared transport	SG and Transport	Good public and community transport schemes
Remove all large buses and replace with fleets of flexible local Direct to Door mini buses who go where people are	will encourage more people to use public transport rather than car	Transport folk	
Good public transport links of varying sorts: trains/buses/electric car shares/ electric bikes/ bikes - rationalise	We cannot keep traditional public transport - got to be flexible/honed to individual community	Scot Gov, local communities, SNH, SEPA, forest land, transport providers	
More rail services. Free bus travel for all. Greendead approach.			
stop spending millions on huge road infrastructure developments			
Reduction in embodied carbon of buildings	we are still developing without considering this	planners and designers	Low carbon and energy efficient buildings
Much more energy efficient buildings	reducing power consumption		
Increase insulation grants for all properties	older, larger properties emit more heat loss but are restricted in the amount of grant aid available.	Scottish Government	
Being more creative and resourceful with the materials we use to build energy efficient homes	current traditional building materials are unsustainable in their production and use	private sector construction companies - but policy makers need to provide a legislative framework for them to operate in	
House building standards need to change	industry standards are way too low. Passive should be standard	SG, local authorities, house builders	
Energy efficiency buildings	climate change		
Better standards of insulation on all new buildings, not only houses.			
Community development approaches to climate action being funded	Community empowerment in land use and carbon reduction is necessary for a just transition	SG	Support community empowerment
Listen to communities.			
Support for communities to reshape the fabric infrastructure			



Remove/change presumption towards the developer - at least balance to include presumptions towards community's	Health, reducing pollution, accessibility, sense of place		
Joined up working across all sectors and regulators with clear direction and ownerships	lack of clarity of different roles leads to lack of accountability		Joined up working across sectors and networks
Affordable solutions to net zero emissions (infrastructure)	the poorest in society cannot be expected to pay.	SG, utility providers - energy, water, comms and digital, housing	
Lets focus on both adaptation of co2 reduction (both the embodied and operational). Need a flexible future for infrastructure	horizon scan for 2050 regarding population, demographics, weather, floods, transport, energy, health etc		
Local place plans should not prescribe infrastructure	local place plans have been a disaster for onshore wind in England	Scottish Government, local authorities	
a much more positive policy towards renewable energy projects. Creates jobs and can help repopulation	it is an imperative and too often councils oppose them on 'landscape' impact, which is disproportionate to the climate emergency	Scottish Ministers	Renewable energy; monitoring and manage waste; reduce use; better consumer awareness; heat networks
Presumption in favour of sustainable development	planning committees and reporters keep refusing onshore wind schemes, and to facilitate re-powering	SG, local authorities, DPEA, wind industry	
Smart Energy network. More information to consumer.	reduction in consumption and better data to understand the network		
Concentrate on any energy gap. How can it be provided?			
More consideration of energy use, waste rather than just focussing on energy production. But renewables need more consistent support.	Energy gets wasted all the time - needs a cultural change	SG	
longer term planning in support of renewable energy industry. Recent hydro developments is a case in point - subsidy support fell off a cliff.	a great fledgling industry with all the right credentials was supported very badly.		
Grid reform - smart connections, fee charges, storage	grid is too expensive, too inflexible, too slow to facilitate renewables	UK Govt, grid companies, renewables.	
Solve the Eskdalemuir	MOD has become the planning authority	Scottish Government, MOD, wind industry	
No fracking or extraction. Cut oil and gas use.	need to cut carbon emissions, get people out of cars, make it cheaper to heat buildings, so reduce fuel needs		
Retrofitting heat networks			
Integrated energy production. Storage and reduced use	Each in isolation may miss out key areas	Government, users, industry, everyone	
Make Scotland a centre of excellence creating green jobs in bigger numbers.	it has started and needs to continue and evolve	Scot Gov	Ambition – create green jobs
Better digital so that we can work remotely - high speed to support video, not just emails	this means I can work anywhere in Scotland,	Telecoms companies	Better digital connectivity



etc. Proper distributed technology	including rural areas, achieve repopulations		
No building on flood plains. Natural flood management on moorland. Financial encouragement to better ecological approaches to agriculture. Reforesting with native species	Renewable energy. Stronger approach to energy efficiency in construction		Natural flood management
Priority to natural flood management.			

'PEOPLE' - How can planning best support our quality of life, health and wellbeing in the future?			
WOULD LIKE TO SEE...	BECAUSE...	WHO CAN BEST MAKE THIS HAPPEN...	THEME/S
Planners and decision makers really listen to communities as they know what they need. The current (past 70 years) developer led process has got us to the current problems.	local communities much better understand the problems of their communities than central bodies	Scottish Government	Listen to, and work with, communities – citizen's panels and other methods
Interact with communities with realistically sized information packs - not the massive swamping tick box volumes that are usually presented - often with very questionable science - eg traffic assessments	communities have limited time and capacity to interact with 'experts' - the experts then become mis trusted - and they are working for developers anyway so have vested interests	Planning and related professionals	
Listen to communities			
Inclusion in decisions about place and space to broaden out and consider the voice of citizens panels and other methods for creating places and spaces			Promote values over monetary cost / Achieve outcomes – health; openness; equality
Greater community input and taking responsibility and ownership of climate change. Better and effective community engagement.	We all have a shared responsibility to work with nature and public bodies to protect and enhance society	Local authorities, community groups, SG	
Decision making criteria that prioritises values over costs, eg health, biodiversity, wellness, local economies, education etc			
Holistic approach that does not prioritise people over place			
A radical change to procurement to deliver infrastructure. Away from cost to value to society/ecosystems	we need a leadership by public sector. All public procurement should deliver wider value not value for money		
places that help people lead healthy happy lives eg housing	where we live and work has a huge impact on health	local authorities, NHS, developers, Scottish Government	
Scotland marketed as an open country to immigrants despite EU exit	They're an integral part of Scottish Culture, our workforce and identity.	politicians/Ministers to promote inclusivity more in their policies	
More priority to habitats and biodiversity in planning decisions. More diversity of	to improve local decision making and reduce inequality	Scottish Land Commission	



land ownership across Scotland.			
Keeping wild land as a national asset	it is essential for future generations to experience the wild qualities of Scotland	Government planners	Wild land is an asset; value of green space
More green drainage systems. Food growing spaces. By providing infrastructure to improving health and wellbeing such as green spaces.			
Value of public shared space and green space. Developers mostly not motivated to provide this.			
Expansion of green spaces especially in urban areas	good for mental health, physical wellbeing	local authorities, SG	
More accessible green space.			
Support for accessible community transport	so that disabled and elderly are not marginalised and left behind	Scottish Government, Transport Department	Support community and public transport; more walking and cycling
Greatly improved public transport in rural areas	it would allow more people, especially young people to enjoy the facilities, currently enjoyed in urban areas	Scottish Government and local authorities	
Support for active travel less reliance on cars. Better cycling and walking infrastructure	to improve Scotland's health		
Better walking/cycling routes.			
More footpaths and cycleway	it would improve health and reduce carbon emissions		
Sustainable strategy for rural Scotland. Villages which are struggling to cope.	Communities are running down. Need more affordable housing and resilient communities	Scottish Government	Sustainable rural strategy
Capture learning from rural areas (islands) that have actually experience an increase in population (Easdale)	we can replicate some of that learning in rural areas that are experiencing depopulation	Scottish Islands Federation and data on repopulation and depopulation trends	
New houses/development that have suitable facilities associated with them - in rural areas so they are not just commuter/satellite towns	Betters communities would be created	Scottish Government/local planning authority	Quality of housing; accessible, affordable housing for all ages; associated facilities; assess impact of developments; build communities
Building regulations are a minimum standard - we need to go beyond compliance to encourage best practice. Fundamentally change building regs to deliver better quality homes			
Developers of housing having to address the impact of their developments on existing residents	it is not something they consider at the moment	volume housing developers and local authorities	
Wider views for housing that goes beyond KPIs to deliver sustainable communities	joined up approach eg energy efficiency has created unhealthy living conditions - poor ventilation		



Integration of community and mixed housing to provide internal support structures.	Avoids additional cost, reduced transport and energy wastage	planning, developers, societal desire	
Boost social housing	too much obsession with ownership and house price increased rather than housing diversity and equality	Scottish Government, local authorities, housing industry, communities	
Some attention to housing for more elderly citizens			
There is case law to support the Equality Act 2010 so that planning takes account of the Equality Act. Housing to Lifetime homes standard level thresholds	Currently this legislation is ignored. Aging population so legislation not enforceable		
Provision of affordable, family homes build along passive house style in rural areas. Find more ways to deliver health/social care in rural communities	proliferation of 2nd/holiday homes are pricing folk out of the market and damaging community cohesion. Need more young families to support local schools/shops/churches etc. Policy put in place to curb 2nd/holiday homes	local council, Scottish Government, local communities	
Release family homes.	Release larger homes for families without having to build big new ones	housing associations,	
less single use housing	currently houses are developed for a think demographic. As soon as the occupant changes demographic category the house becomes unsuitable	Housing developers, clients, architects	
Improved transport and housing	Depopulation of rural communities	planners, Transport Scotland, housing, developers	
Everyone able to walk to buy food etc and only drive /travel if absolutely necessary	we have lost our ability to buy provisions daily with our busy lives. Health and wellbeing impact - getting out and about	National, regional and local planners	
Integration of spatial planning with community planning	Social problems too often seen in our own professional lens	Local authorities and communities	Better integrated regulatory processes – quality of outcomes; Work with public Health
Public health Scotland become a statutory consultee in planning process	national and regional plans go through a health and wellbeing filter	SG Planning, Public Health Scotland	
Better quality of validation of planning applications	to avoid waste of time and public money	local planning authorities	
Build factors important to quality of life, into regulatory requirements	development will not deliver those aims unless required to		
Improved access to services in rural areas through sustainable transport. Spending time doing exercise and outside in nature empowers healthy and wellbeing. Improving access to services helps people to also access employment opps, which improves wealth and health and mental health	planners, communities, infrastructure investment plan, local authorities, etc etc		



Community wealth. Building approach taken to where people live and work. Invest in social enterprise and community.	it would help people develop quality of life in local areas	local authorities	Invest in community; more economic development; rural jobs
Better transport in rural communities. Encourage economic development in rural areas			
More emphasis on renewable energy to spark rural development, repopulation and jobs	it makes sense!	Scottish Ministers, local communities, local councils	
Retrofitted homes to survive flooding	accelerate recovery, more resilient communities	SG, SEPA, local authorities	Manage flooding – new and retrofit
No new residential on flood plains			
More opportunities for children to access exercise Sports clubs and football pitches and more			Access leisure facilities

'WORK' - What does planning need to do to enable an economy that benefits everyone?			
WOULD LIKE TO SEE...	BECAUSE...	WHO CAN BEST MAKE THIS HAPPEN...	THEME/S
Better connectivity to access work facilities	it will enable remote working	local authorities	Support local work; less commuting – less carbon, better health outcomes
Scotland as a place where fewer people commute but can work locally, supporting local economy	Scotland would be a much nicer place to live	Scottish Government	
Work on local without losing global competitiveness. Enterprise/simplified planning zones to enable white van type businesses.	Reduce energy, support, localism and maintain, support and enable economic position globally	NPF (SG), LPP (LA), Business (Buy in)	
Less commuting to work. I have no idea how this can be done, but it is a major reason for private car use - links to reducing carbon, providing car parking eg Stirling Uni is building on it green space and car parks and trying to encourage use of public transport. This is leading to people parking on surrounding streets to the inconvenience of local residents. But many people need to use car e.g. nursing students have to travel to placements, mature students juggling childcare. Buses not as convenient for time constrained students/staff. Parking is necessary			
Workflows clear/accessible to where people live	reduce co2, improve health and wellbeing	planners, developers, Scottish Government	



Re-evaluation of the working week and income distribution to ensure automation delivers wealth for all.	Just transition	Scottish Government	Wealth for all; smart decision making; good connections; sustainable economies; renewables creates jobs
More rapid, properly evidenced local decision making with 'clawback' of the decision if the work does not materially progress in a short timescale	Businesses need to move quickly so government needs to move just as quickly both with approvals and with enabling public infrastructure	Scottish Government	
Every village/ town connected to all the others. Encourage people- without cost and reducing carbon emissions	Local B&B's / hostels - increased employment in rural areas		
Much more writing planning balance in favour of renewable energy	It can create jobs in all areas, from home insulation to maintaining wind farms	Scottish Ministers	
Sustainable rural economies. Business Enterprise development tourism, place making	Many villages are dying and not retaining population. 'smart village' Scotland can help.	Council. Smart Village. Scottish government	Better integration of thinking and systems – consider consequences; better outcomes for all
Integrating of planning, economy, environment, and building regulations legislation	it really makes sense!		
Planning needs to act as an integrator - not as end to itself - to build a sustainable country - health provisions, business, housing, transport with the optimum mix for a sustainable future	it is no good ignoring the consequences of planning decisions and leaving others to pick them up	planners, Scottish Government , health service	
Cater for young, disabled elderly in all decisions	very, very easy for these groups to be bypassed still e.g. in public transport.		
Rural - fibre broadband/ development of local business hubs, to encourage home/local working.	I want a thriving rural community	local communities housing trusts, councils, Scottish Government, ICT providers, local businesses	Improved digital connectivity
Ability to work remotely anywhere in Scotland or any company in the world.	Repopulation of rural Scotland and contributing to rural economy	Telecoms	
Broadband. Business hubs in rural areas. Places to develop businesses. Access to services.	It helps re-populate rural areas. Helps health/wellbeing. Helps economy.	loads of agencies. Think holistically by place	
broadband to every home as a right and priority	people and communities are being left behind (banks close etc as everything goes online.)	Scottish Government, telecoms	
Circular economy is an overarching principle that applies to all policy to create a sustainable Scotland.	Its' not helpful to pigeon hole it as 'recycling' within 'work' theme	zero waste Scotland, circular economy, construction programme	Support circular economy; more divers and 'good' jobs
More resource use within Scotland - circular economy			
Boost circular economy	sustainable development and business is good business	Scottish Government, Business	
Provision of good /well paid jobs to get a more young folk /families to move to area.			
Greater diversity in what is seen as a 'skilled' job	typically urban jobs are seen as more attractive - would be good for more people to live and work in rural areas.		



Excellent transport links	to reduce emissions, improve air quality	Scottish Government, local authorities	Good public and community transport links
Support for community transport schemes to enable people who are marginalised to get to work	so that small communities are not de-populated or individuals are left isolated.	Scottish Government, Transport Department	

'PLACE' - How can planning improve, protect and strengthen the special character of our places?			
WOULD LIKE TO SEE...	BECAUSE...	WHO CAN BEST MAKE THIS HAPPEN...	THEME/S
Funding for rural communities to develop their place plans	Planning	Empower Communities	Empower communities; local ownership of decision making; local communities care about their place
Planning not to consider place but community and people	planning should be about people living in a place. As currently run by the professions it is about the built environment not about people.	The whole planning community -it needs radical change. The Planning Act has not been very helpful!	
More local based control of planning purposes. Domestic planning should not be in a national park	It would eliminate duplication	Scot Gov, National Parks, local communities	
Local communities taking ownership of their heritage and supported to get access to funding. Don't assume we don't know what we are doing!	To coin a phrase 'people make places' and we are proud of our area	Planning and the Scottish Government	
Support Community asset transfer. Existing support. Famous communities who are high capacity. This requires investment in capacity building	people have the local solutions	Scottish Government	
More community involvement/ community involvement is seen as the norm rather than something that is done with a 'deep sigh'	Current community council approach not working. Hard to get people into the council, always the same folk across PTA's, school councils, community councils	local councils, local communities	
More community owned and managed assets with support from LA's and Government	I want my rural community to be confident, pleasant places to live, more people have control over their lives.	Scot Gov, Estates and landowners, SEPA, SNH, local communities	
Green space for walking etc. Shared public spaces and private green spaces. Conservation areas - make it easier to upgrade older properties eg insulation etc	Local Place plans important to get people on board and utilize local views and expertise and knowledge. Local people care about their immediate environment		
More use of place standard in planning improvements	identify real community priorities - facilitate community involvement in planning		
Corporations supporting communities rather than closing things down eg local banks, shops	having these things local encourage people to get out and bring commerce to local areas	Corporations of Scotland, Banks specifically	
Engaging with mountaineering Scotland - 14,000 members	We care for the Scottish landscape and wildlife		
We need a change to land ownership and the influence a few have on the character and value of our spaces	Again we need to see wider value of land management - carbon, flood relief, biodiversity, recreation, health etc		See wider value of land management; manage land banking



Land banks held by developed to be time limited with valuation increases restricted.	Paradoxically developers are delaying development to earn a greater profit	will require legislation by Scottish Government	
In smaller and pressured (often in specific demographics) communities be specific of their development needs - eg downsize housing for older people to release family housing back in to the market	We need to keep our communities balanced so grandparents, parents and grandchildren can live in close proximity (if they choose to do so) which then provides a lot of mutual support and eases the strain on public finances	Planners - at all levels, SG	Support inter-generational communities
Greener Scotland, more resilient to climate change. Greener spaces in cities.	People in urban areas need to be made proud to live there. Glasgow has a big litter problem		'Green' resilience; more recycling
Hubs for social enterprises, require for products to be repairable. No out of town retail. Research to develop recycling of plastics.			
A more flexible system for renewable energy development. Construction in peat areas can be mitigated for example.	Planners get too obsessed with 'protection' not positive living landscapes eg wild land outside national parks and NSA's are formerly populated/ now cleared and re ecological deserts in many instances	Scottish Ministers	Support renewable energy
Councils being empowered by increased funding to deal with derelict land and buildings by bringing them into public ownership, in order to improve them and sell on.	planning on its own is limited to what it can deliver	Scottish Government Infrastructure Fund	Better use of vacant and derelict land; 'green' initiatives
Use of vacant and derelict land for interim period.			
Better enforcement to owners of derelict buildings	Derelict building register,	HES, Empty Homes officers	
Better incentives or toolkits for private sector to bring derelict land back into use and prioritise projects with a climate/energy or biodiversity	Typically derelict land is being brought up by new build home companies that doesn't necessarily create affordable or sustainable housing	Government and private sector	
Financial incentives to use brownfield and derelict and retrofit buildings over new build on greenbelt	why is VAT not applied to new builds but is to retrofits		
Reduce the restrictions on planning apps for green initiatives. Make more derelict land available for development.	there are business opportunities that could evolve - important in rural communities	Scottish Government	
Protection of designated wild land areas and grades of permitted development elsewhere	Clarity would encourage appropriate development		Value and protect natural habitat and eco-systems
Protect all ancient woodland, as it cannot be replaces by planting trees, takes centuries for it to develop to the complex combination of habitats and biodiversity that it holds			
Reduce use of land for grouse/deer hunting - how much does this really bring to	Reduction of degradation of land and landscape through bad estate management	Scot Gov, Estates and landowners, SEPA, SNH, local communities	



local community? Protect existing designated areas.			
Protection for nature, coast, river, estuary, woodland, upland, grassland (even agricultural)	better for people, wildlife, environment		
Boost green networks and force developers to deliver standards	Profits squeeze out green networks from developments	Scottish Government, Local authorities, developers, communities	Green (+ cycle) networks and nature corridors
Protection of biodiversity eg creating nature corridors	enhances character of places, allows species to adapt to climate change	Scottish Government, local authorities	
Paths and cycleway	encourage people to visit different places in Scotland, to reduce air travel to places abroad		
We need to deliver housing fit for future society. This includes retrofit of existing stock as a priority over new build.	Low carbon also means embodied carbon. (%0% of carbon emissions for the built environment is materials) we need to build well. Energy efficient to provide healthy homes. Ventilation and air quality and location is important	RIAS, ZWS, CSIC	
Reduce 2nd holiday homes. Derelict houses brought back into communities.			Deliver housing fit for the future; manage vacancy and holiday homes; housing works with other uses (e.g. to support town centre)
Policies that encourage diversity of use of urban areas - multi use of town centres. Not out of town development and big department stores and supermarkets. Yes to mixed use vibrant housing, retail, office areas.			
Landscape, news, archaeology, community spirit, special buildings	to retain sense of place	Communities are best to describe these special assets in collaboration with specialists.	
Caithness appreciated in the same way as Orkney. It has the same Neolithic buildings, but they are not shouted about.	Caithness is the poor neighbour of Orkney and Inverness and yet has so much potential including the Flow Country and its natural habitat	Scottish Government, Highland Council, Historic Scotland, National Trust for Scotland, Visit Scotland	Retain and promote sense of place
Stop building on flood plains. Policy commitment - better control of developers.	They exist for a purpose - we have to protect flood plains if we want them to protect us when it floods	Local authorities, SG	Proactive manage flooding
Flood plaining, no building, but some creative greenspace access to shared space	Thought about alternative uses of flood plains that are sustainable	More memorandums of understanding and cross authority working and sharing. A spatial determinism overrides a lot of this which is needed but more community of interest and cross council connection/sharing	
Flood plain 'designation' as per Historic Battlefields model.	Focuses development on existing uses and avoids clash with flooding issues	NPF/SEPA/LA. LPP for allotment/ community options	



A stronger drive/ commitment to move towards ethical development/ service delivery	It will drive improved outcomes - and drive out self serving and poor practice solely focussed on making money at the cost of people and the environment	SG, developers, service providers	Ethical development; focus on sustainable and resilience; re-imagined / denser communities
Development plans to focus on sustainability and resilience, not growth	market delivery is too focused on short term	local authorities, house builders, communities	
Reimagined towns/cities. Denser population /communities	town centres need to adapt - 50 years of sprawl	planners, developers, Scottish Government	

'DELIVERY' - What infrastructure do we need to plan and build to realise our long term aspirations?

WOULD LIKE TO SEE...	BECAUSE...	WHO CAN BEST MAKE THIS HAPPEN...	THEME/S
The Climate emergency to really take hold and carbon to be a key factor in all decision making	we continue to see over centralisation (eg medical services) creating the need to travel (and isolating smaller, more remote (relative to the area) communities. Also still see major road construction wasting natural resources needed to tackle the climate emergency.	all SG departments	Climate emergency – key to decision making; avoid disconnect between national and local
I do not understand how national legislation and NPF4 can be imposed on local and council levels - it sets the aims but what about being carried out on the ground without legal challenges? The guidelines for local authorities are simply guidelines - no real teeth. Lip service to consultation, too many umbrellas and tangos speaking 'for' grassroots. Disconnect between NPF and the Local			
Much better electrified public transport and freight transport to reduce emissions.	To reduce emissions and improve the quality of life. Low carbon living is not going to be low cost - something has to give		Better (electrified / low carbon) public transport to all communities
Investment in bus infrastructure	more inclusive approach to public transport	Scottish Parliament	
Better rural public transport	at present rural areas are easily isolated	Scottish government, Scottish Rail, Local Authorities, Bus companies	
Improved rural travel connections. To more communities.	It is currently poor. Callendar -Tyndrum example (A84) (A85)	Scottish Government, Councils	
Better train/bus infrastructure. Infrastructure - low carbon so we're future proofing.	Rural areas need to be able to deal with future shocks - better economic/social/environmental		
Sustainable transport links - walking /cycling/public transport	Well being/ car reduction	Planners, developers	
No bridge to Northern Ireland. NO new motorways. Rail	NPF about how places will be developed and also safeguarded. We need to		



infrastructure upgrading. No nuclear power	protect what we recognise and value in out areas - local community involvement		
Footpaths as cycleways	encourage more people to walk and cycle		Encourage walking and cycle networks
More safe routes for cycling or making cyclist/pedestrians priority everywhere apart from trunk roads/motorways	we need to physically get moving again - health	Road department	
Scotland's hill paths repaired and maintained. It is a resource of national importance.	It's healthy exercise (physical and mental), good for tourism but the burden of repair falls on landowners - expensive	Regional and Local planning. Rural Development.	Repair and maintain mountain hill paths
Central green network delivered as a LA requirement	It's not been delivered and it could make a huge contribution to carbon reduction and travel choice		Deliver green and blue networks
Greater development of blue green infrastructure in our towns and cities	Reduce flooding risk. Enhance local area for people.	Scottish government, local authorities, Scottish Water	
Much more renewable energy - the future economy is all going to be driven by green energy.	We simply have to do it and it must happen by 2030. The UK climate change committee says we must quadruple what we currently have.	Everyone! But nationally there needs to be an imperative driven by Ministers	Support renewable energy
Broadband roll out - nationally	Regenerate rural areas	Scottish Government, BT	Rollout broadband / digital connectivity
Broadband/4G/5G across rural areas			
Make existing infrastructure and assets last	Replacing them generates carbon	power networks (energy), Scottish Water, Comms Networks	Make best use of (and celebrate) infrastructure – link to outcomes
Need to appreciate and celebrate infrastructure more.	We are good at objecting, rather than embracing the benefits infrastructure brings	Society	
Let the planners and SG decide based on outcome needs. Infrastructure investment plan should directly and transparently relate to outcomes required!	Outcomes will be responded to	The finance and policy people	
Reform of land ownership and lower land values	to stop land banking to facilitate development	Scottish Government and landowners	Reform land ownership / stop land banking

'ONE BIG THING'			
WOULD LIKE TO SEE...	BECAUSE...	WHO CAN BEST MAKE THIS HAPPEN...	THEME/S
Let's ensure circular economy is embedded across all policies and themes	Circular economy is not about waste or recycling it is a holistic approach to society future proofing		Embed circular economy; Zero waste
Places that are more circular and don't create waste	in nature there is no such thing as waste - think of a forest ecosystem	Everyone	
Convincing and holistic solutions to niggling planning issues	we cannot allow development in the short term to create longer term problems for people and places.	Scottish Government, local authorities	Long term holistic solutions; More emphasis on implementation, monitoring and reporting



We talked about lots of stuff - so clear that implementation isn't always consistent so I'd like to see more on implementation and monitoring and reporting			
Allotment and community growing and greenspace, paths, gardens, restoring urban land throughout urban areas	it hits all the outcomes		Allotments, community growing and greenspace
Green spaces valued: no building on greenbelt. All kinds of green networks/habitats and recreation/ gardens/ allotments.	health and wellbeing. Utilising ecology to our benefit - eg flood control/climate change. Quality of life.		
We have achieved our emissions reductions targets	Crucial to the future of the planet. Scotland needs to show leadership.	Everyone	Achieve carbon emissions targets – recognise opportunities
Climate change action critical to structure new planning agenda/ Offers challenges, but also opportunities			
Planning to be given the authority and influence to adapt and enable changes required by 2050 and beyond	Planning is a key mechanism to tackling key issues in Scotland	The profession, the public, the industry	
Pathways and cycleway everywhere to encourage people to use active travel especially when holidaying and commuting.	It would increase people's health and reduce the NHS bill. It would reduce carbon emissions. It would create B&B's and hostels and thus create employment in rural areas.	National Government	Sustainable transport options - Active travel (supports economic and tourist possibilities)
Sustainable transport options - walking cycling and public transport. National down to local/	Address climate change targets - health, wellbeing, connected communities - social health etc	Planners, NHS, SNH, Scottish Government, developers, NFO's, communities	
cycle routes			
Re-open the Dunblane to Oban railway line (might need a bit of diversion where the old line built on)	Economic and tourist development and a fantastic scenic route	Scottish Government	
More general flexible support for renewable energy	Then companies can create jobs and green energy	Ministers	Flexible support for renewable energy
Continues roll out of smart village Scotland to cover - Community development, tourism development, digital connectivity	It's desperately needed in rural Scotland	Local authorities, Scottish Government	Digital connectivity; High speed broadband
High speed broadband everywhere, supported by match funding from Scottish Government	so that rural re-population could occur and people could work where they are and reduce the need to travel or to move to where work is	Scottish Government	
Fibre broadband everywhere	everyone's connectivity	Scottish Government	
Clyde Gateway URC designated as a national priority	Designation raises profile and increases the ability to secure funding and deliver national scale regeneration which incorporates all 5 Call for ideas questions	Scottish Government	Designated national priorities



Consider different forms of community engagement	NPF4 will affect all in our society		Community engagement; Support local outcomes
Localisation - work from home, less travel, better digitalisation, more walking, cycling for everyday things	better for mental health, better for local community, better for decarbonisation	Scottish Government, working with corporations	
Local places and people influencing public and private sector investments more meaningfully	bottom up influence is central to national planning	Scottish Government	
A fundamental change from an office working environment to one where people are encouraged to stay in their own community and work remotely. Travel issues associated with rush hour traffic world gone and local economies would benefit	Scotland would be a better place to live	Scottish Government, local authorities, private enterprise	
Less commuting	Doesn't speak up relating to climate change, local economic development work life balance etc	Scottish Government	
No building on floodplains.			No building on floodplains.
A cultural shift where rural areas are recognised as vibrant, resilient places to work and live - production and work could relocate there in such a way that is cultural integrity is still preserved	living and working in rural and industrial zones is putting unnecessary pressure on transport and contributing to the climate change emergency	rural policy makers, Scottish Government, everyone.	Recognise rural areas as vibrant for live / work
Independence	otherwise we will never be able to achieve the thing we really need to achieve as a nation or even community	Everyone!	Achieve things



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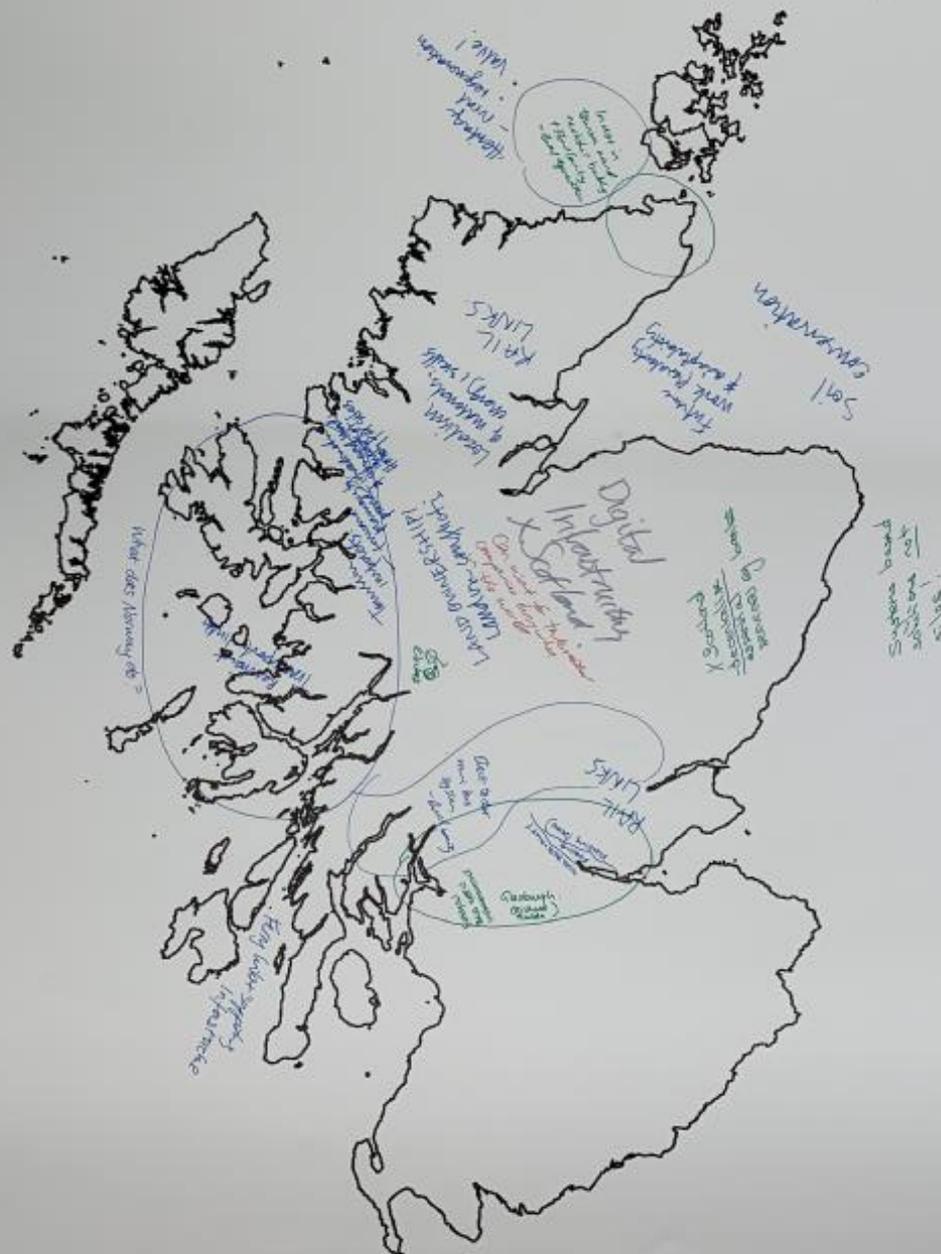


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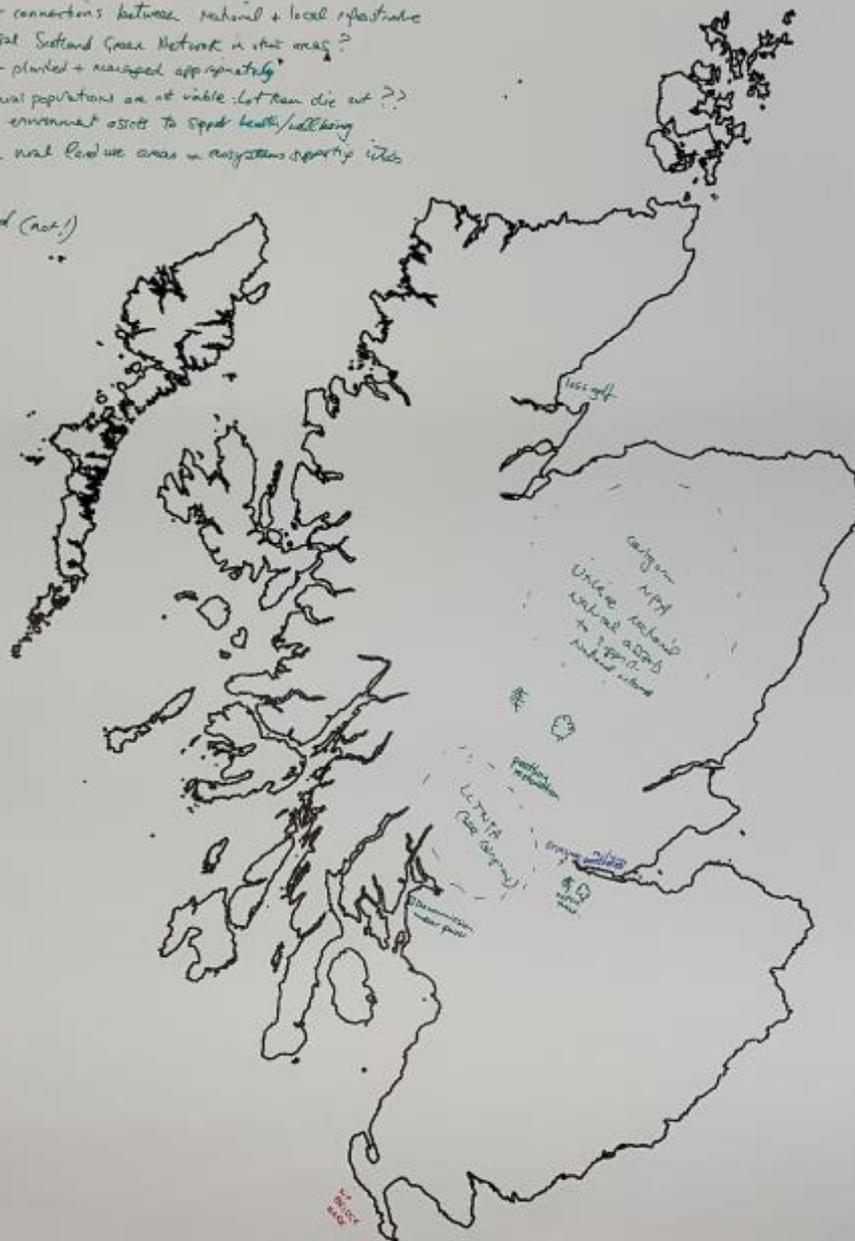
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 - Should see be a Central Scotland Green Network in what areas?
 - These everywhere - planned + managed appropriately
 - should we care whether rural populations are not viable: let them die out??
 - use of NPAs + natural environment assets to speed health/wellbeing
 - interrelationship between rural low use areas + ecosystems sporting sites
 - Golf
 - bridge to (inland coast?)
 - Broadband fibre



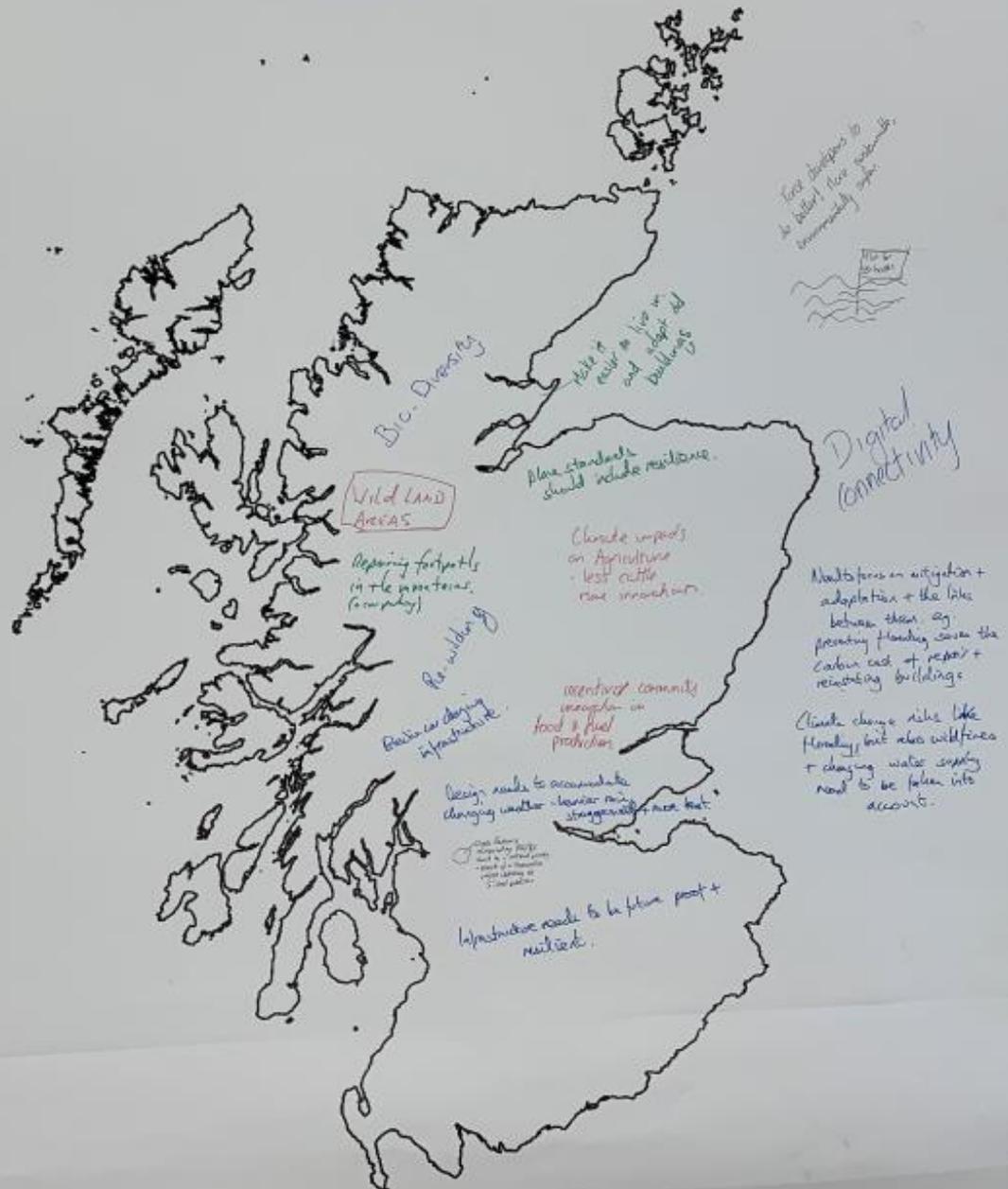


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