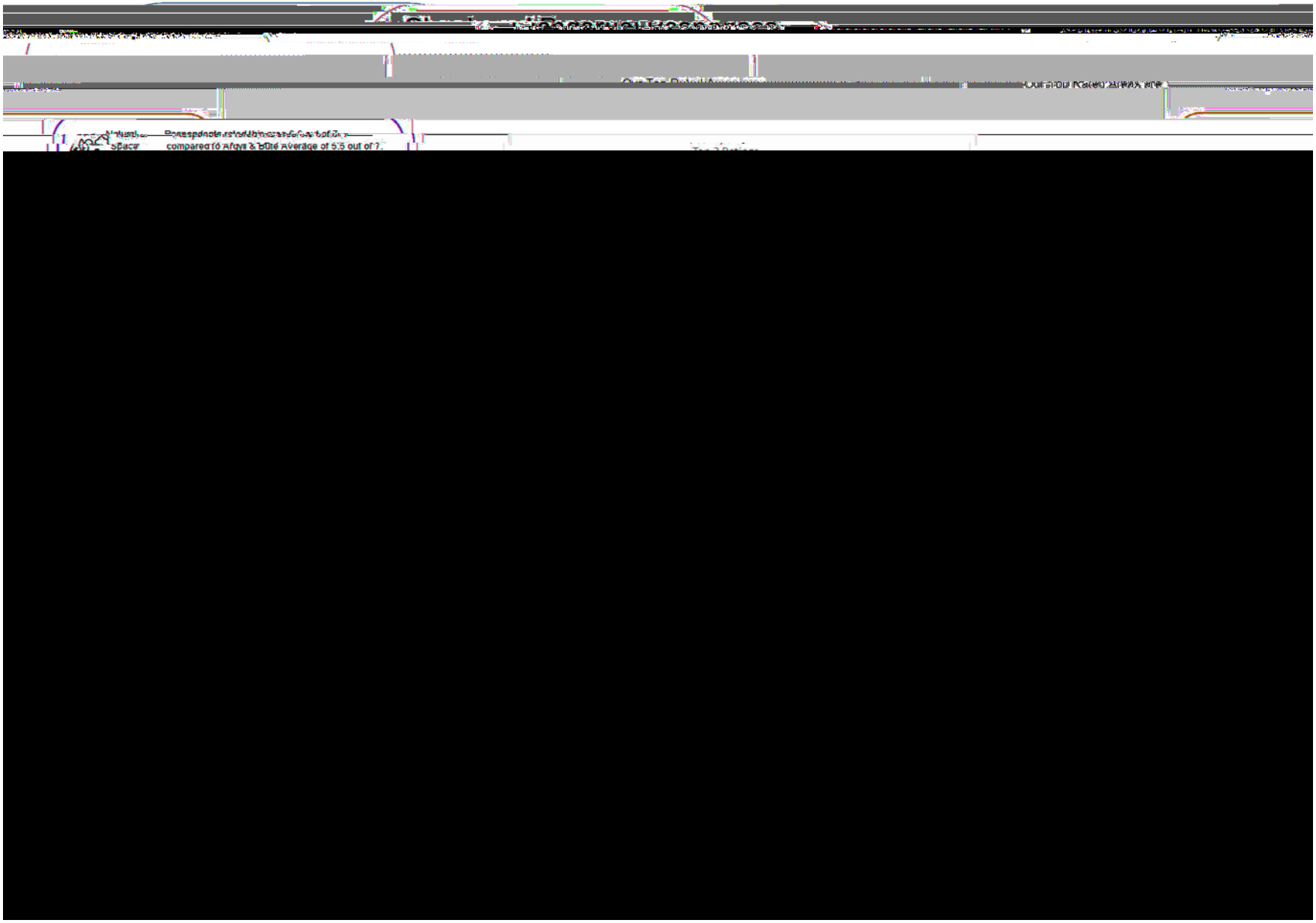
Glendaruel Responses 2019

Priority Areas for Improvement :

Public Transport

Work and Local Economy

Housing and Community


Our Top Priorities
Our Top Priorities (Cont.)
Human Space
Respondents rated this area 6.4 out of 7,
compared to Arya & Blue Average of 5.5 out of 7.

Q1. Moving Around: Can I easily walk and cycle around using good quality routes?

15 responses in total – Average Score of 3.2							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
3 responses	4 responses	2 responses	2 responses	4 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Loch Lomond and Cowal way, Forest tracks are all close by. Single track roads can be dange with speeding cars.
Lot of pot holes and badly repaired road
Although I live in a very rural area, some of the main or easier routes are not suitable to cyc walkingdue to traffic.
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Good forest walks, but no safe pedestrian routes on the main roads. No cycle tracks which le delays for traffic on the roads.
Main road in Glendaruel is driven far too fast and single track roads with tight bends and steep hills are unsuitable for bikes. There are sections of old road that could be upgraded and used as cycle tracks
We have access to the Loch Lomond and Cowal Way as well as local path networks in Strc Forest, at Dunans Castle and by the Glendaruel Caravan Park. However, the Way requires support for maintenance and upgrades, and while the local Development Trust does a grand job, it requires help from other local communities as well as the council and the National Park to ensure the path remains in good order and brings in the £500K income per annum to the area as per its last report.
As my home is directly off the A886 which has a national speed limit pf 60 mph, I am obligec drive to a place whe

Q2. Public Transport - Does public transport meet my needs?

15 responses in total – Average

Q3. Traffic and Parking: Do traffic and parking arrangements allow people to move around safely?

15 responses in total – Average Score of 4.2							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
1 responses	1 responses	3 responses	2 responses	5 responses	2 responses	1 responses	xx responses

Comments

Lack of traffic calming in Colintraive.
Not usually much traffic. Loch Striven and Tighnabruaich roads should be 2 way.
Traffic and parking is not really an issue unless you walking or cycling. Logging lorries cause issue at times as they go at speed on roads totally unsuitable for the speed. They frequently travel two at a time.
Not relevant to our community
Nearest towns are not bad for parking
Vehicular traffic is generally well-served. However, this is at the expense of pedestrians, cyclis and horse riders. While there are good paths, these are comprehensively bisected by the A886 creating a corridor of speed through the glen which means using other slower modes of transport is dangerous. Parking is not problematic. We are generally safe and secure.
This question is not applicable to rural areas
Parking space has been created near church but do visitors actually know about it?
Lack of traffic calming measures in Colintraive make it dangerous around ferry terminal with people turning right. Parking outside community halls is often insufficient and people park cars along verge - which damages verges. No electric car charging points which make it difficult for tourists with electric vehicles to travel in this area.
Parking both sides of the road beyond the ferry going in to Colintraive. Hard to see what's c off the ferry sometimes.
Parking - good areas, but also many spaces which are used parking which are restricting, on private land, or invasive as outside homes. Traffic - speeding a huge problem in the area. Lack of electric car charges in the area also meaning electric / hybrid cars are not always an option for locals buying new cars, and visitors to the area very much restricted as cannot reach us, never mind travel around.

Q4.

Q6. Play and Recreation: Can I access a range of places for play and recreation?

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Q7. Facilities and Amenities: Does my place have the things I need to live and enjoy life? This could include shops, schools, libraries, health services or places to eat and drink.

15 responses in total – Average Score of 3.2							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
5 responses	2 responses	0 responses	4 responses	1 responses	3 responses	0 responses	xx responses

Comments

Needto travel about 15 miles for Dr, shops, etc. Secondary school in Dunoon
No local shops or services
35 min drive to GP is not ideal.
There is no place locally to meet for a regular coffee with friends, no local shop, which would very welcome, GP practice is quite a trip. The mobile library has stopped. It would be very easy to become socially isolated within the area but luckily the local people are very resilient and help and check on each other. We need a group of trained first responders in the area.
There are no local amenities that can be accessed without a car.

Q8.

Q9. Housing and Community: Do the homes in my area support the needs of the community?

Q10. Social Contacts Is there a range of spaces and opportunities to meet people?

15 responses in total – Average Score of 4.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
3 responses	2 responses	0 responses	3 responses	2 responses	4 responses	1 responses	xx responses

Comments

There are two village halls, they try to offer activities during the winter months but they are dependent on a small group of people running things on a voluntary basis. There isn't a coffee shop within miles.
When I moved to the community, there was a church school shop a hotel, now there is a sch and the church is open part time, there are local clubs, there is no pub in the immediate village, since the closure of a pub our particular community has become isolated and fractured, people do not see each other from week to week, and again lack of transport and lack of childcare make it impossible for parents or those who are caring for families Of all ages to travel and get out and about. In the winter this becomes a particular problem as roads are not good and weather conditions can be prohibitive. As it is a community of extreme isolation
Very active, friendly community
With the loss of the glendaruel hotel a few years ago this community lost its only informal meeting space. Subsequent efforts to use the village halls etc. have been only partially successful, and there is much difficulty in accessing sociability and counteracting isolation and mental health problems. Without the hotel, we are left with organised events usually between 7pm and 9pm which cater to a particular interest bowls, whist, singing, book club etc.
There is only the village hall, the shinty pitch and the communal polytunnel
Village hall is in fact a good mile away from the clachan so it doesn't help if you are an elder can't drive

Q11. Identity and Belonging Does this place have a positive identity and do I feel I belong?

15 responses in total – Average Score of 5.1							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
1 responses	0 responses	3 responses	0 responses	2 responses	6 responses	3 responses	xx responses

Comments

Very much a local friendly community who help each other out.

Q13.Care and MaintenanceAre buildings and spaces well cared for?

15 responses in total – Average Score of 5.2

Score of 1 Score of 2 Score of 3 Score of 4

What are the main issues and priorities for change that you have identified?

public transport public water supply broadband
Social housing, elderly care and roads.
Transport, work opportunities, social interaction opportunity.
Decent broadband said businesses survive.Public transport links from Colintraive to Strachu through Glendaruel. Childcare, a pub, joined up services, social housing.

What actions could be taken to deal with these?