

Examples of Good Practice

Highland – Public Engagement in Highland Council Planning

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Lerwick, Shetland – Housing at Staneyhill

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Place Standard: The Highland Experience

Slat-tomhais Àite: Gnàth-eòlas na Gàidhealtachd

Craig Baxter, Planner





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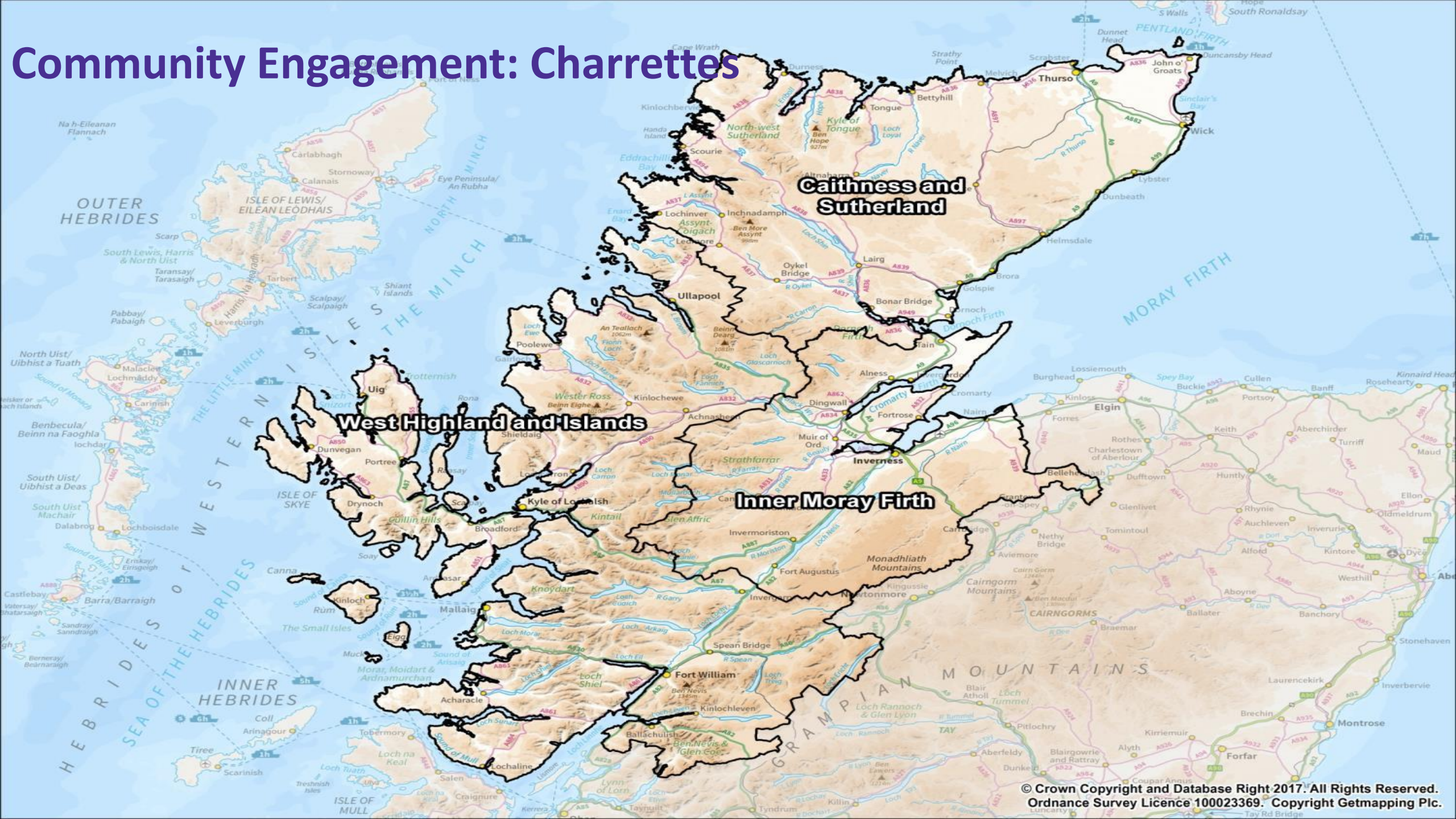


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the people

Let's all
stand together
and support
the people

Community Engagement: Charrettes



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West Highland and Islands

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The Thurso Charrette

It's your chance to shape the future of your town
- come along and share your ideas.

www.highland.gov.uk/thursocharrette

The Pentland Hotel

A vision for Thurso

Friday 22 Feb: 2pm-8pm

Saturday 23 Feb: 11am-4pm

The emerging options

Monday 25 Feb: 6.30-7.30pm

Report back on Thurso's future

Tuesday 26 Feb: 7pm

Drop in for a few minutes, a few hours or
come along to every session and
share your ideas.

PROBLEMS

TRANSIT/ ENLIGHTENMENT
SUSTAINABLE

ACTIVITIES/ LEISURE
PARKS

LANDS
SUSTAINABLE

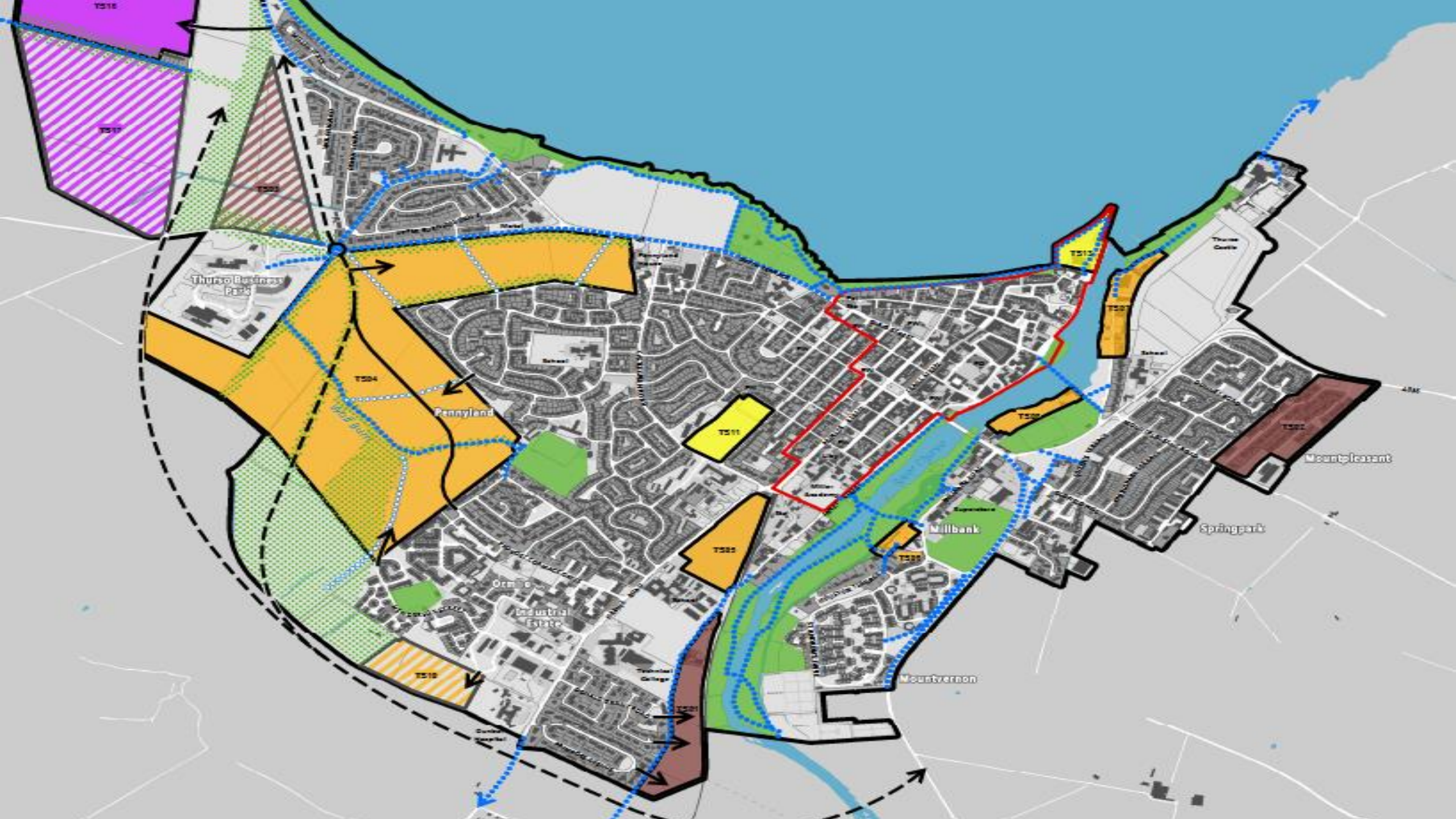
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DREAMS

SO









NOW

- 8. TIDY UP HIGH STREET. the funds + clarity
- 11. SHOPFRONTS the funds + clarity
- 3. Multi-FUNCTIONAL SPACE (KING ST.) the local business units
- 5. SOCIAL WORK OFFICE CONVERSION NICE.
- 15. KING ST / HIGH ST. VENUE(S). the funds + clarity

SOON

- 2. Town Sq. / car parking. Word meeting.
- 9. HIGH ST. SHARED SURFACE. THC - Transport. Transport (heavy) - heavy.
- 1. CIVIC HUB
 - Wood Sessions Meeting
 - THC drives with program.

LATER

- 4. FINANCE OFFICE CONVERSION
- 12. INVESTIGATE HIGH ST ACCESS AT LIBRARY. re-ty *
- 14. RIVER ACCESS. THC - A
- 13. RIVERWALK. access offer
- 7. RE-INSTALLING KING ST AS A STREET. THC - Develop and take - Road with 15
- 6. KING ST. TRAFFIC CALMING. *





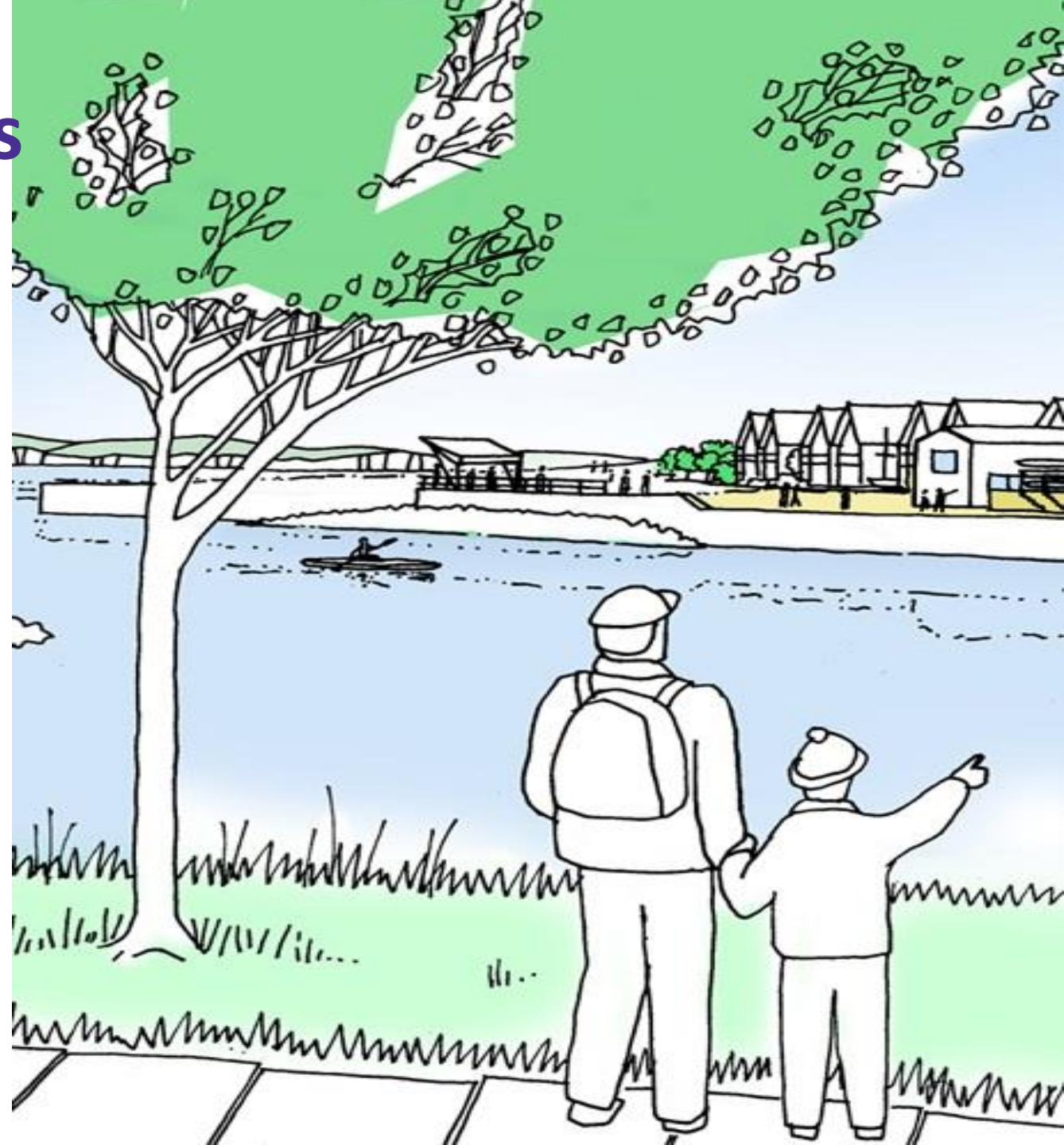
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Reflection on Charrettes

- Established Methods
- Costs
- Time
- Purpose v Expectations



Reflection on Charrettes

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4	Appropriateness	8	Learning & Sharing

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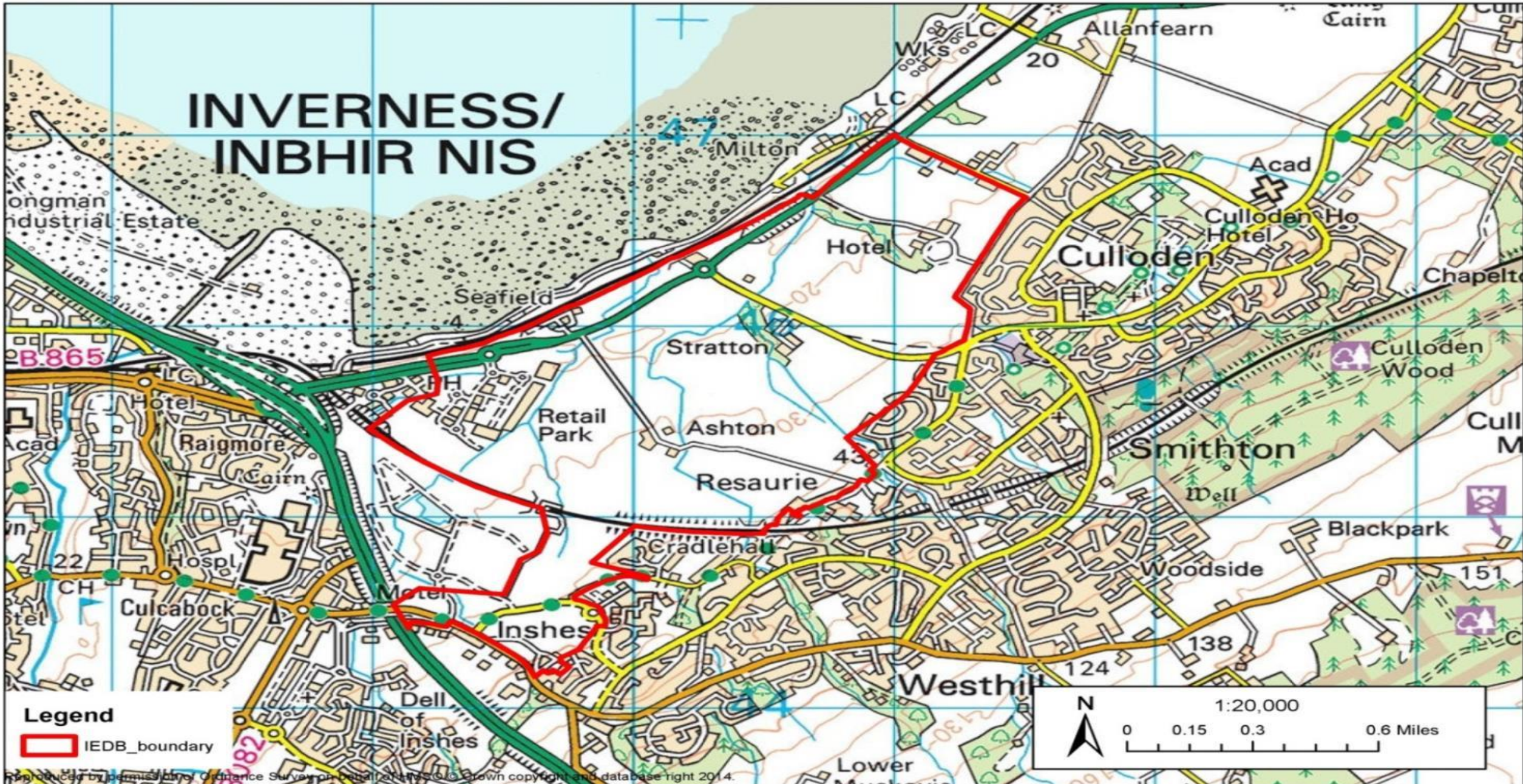
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Inverness East Development Workshop

Place Standard

The following 14 themes give you the opportunity to tell us how your place performs now and what changes would improve things for the future when growth happens. The themes and questions are based on the Scottish Government's [Place Standard tool](#), which gives a structure to help evaluate your place and identify future priorities.

Feel free to answer as many of the questions as you like by reading the text and clicking 'Add Comments' buttons. To answer all of the questions should take around 15 minutes.

The survey is completely anonymous but if you wish you can tell us more about yourself at the bottom of this page. This will help us to identify if certain groups show common trends. We are only asking for some basic information and you do not have to provide this information.

1. Moving around

Walking and cycling are good for both our health and the environment. The design and layout of a place can encourage walking and cycling by providing pleasant and safe routes that connect people to where they want to go.

[Read more about Moving around.](#)

Question 1

[Add Comments](#)

Tell us what you think:

2. Public transport

Access to an affordable, reliable and well-connected public transport service is important for communities in any place. Good public transport allows people to get around in a sustainable way which in turn is good for the environment.

[Read more about Public transport.](#)

Question 2

[Add Comments](#)

Tell us what you think:

3. Traffic and parking

Places that are dominated by traffic and parked cars can have a negative impact on our daily lives. Appropriate arrangements for traffic and parking that allow people to move around safely can help people to get the most out of a place.

Question 3

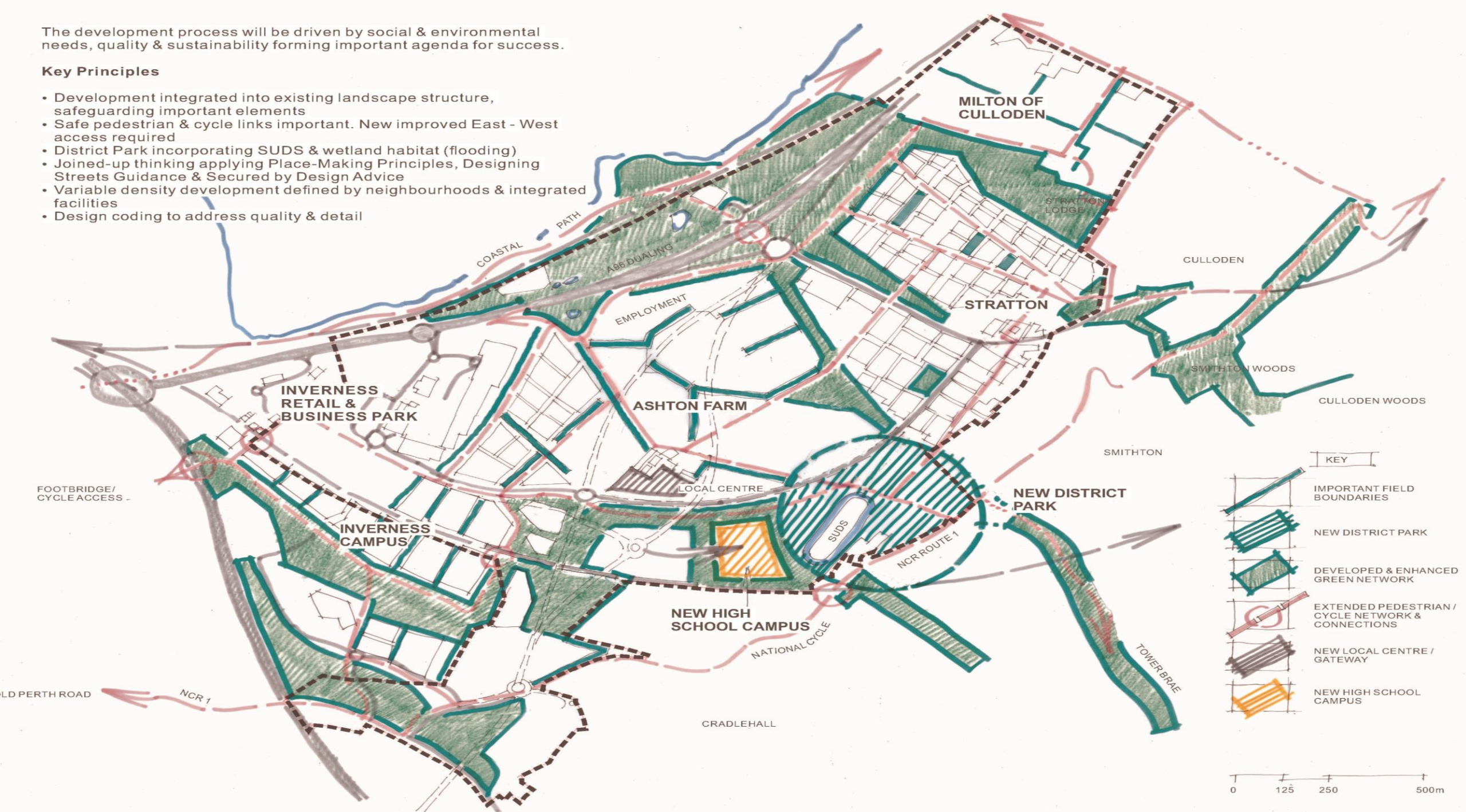
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The development process will be driven by social & environmental needs, quality & sustainability forming important agenda for success.

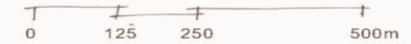
Key Principles

- Development integrated into existing landscape structure, safeguarding important elements
- Safe pedestrian & cycle links important. New improved East - West access required
- District Park incorporating SUDS & wetland habitat (flooding)
- Joined-up thinking applying Place-Making Principles, Designing Streets Guidance & Secured by Design Advice
- Variable density development defined by neighbourhoods & integrated facilities
- Design coding to address quality & detail



KEY

- IMPORTANT FIELD BOUNDARIES
- NEW DISTRICT PARK
- DEVELOPED & ENHANCED GREEN NETWORK
- EXTENDED PEDESTRIAN / CYCLE NETWORK & CONNECTIONS
- NEW LOCAL CENTRE / GATEWAY
- NEW HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS



How can the Place Standard help align Community and Spatial Planning?

- Coordinating consultations to avoid fatigue
- Share information across service providers
- Equip CPPs with the tools to consult

How can the Place Standard help align Community and Spatial Planning?

how can the Place Standard support Community Planning?

- Better promotion of the Place Standard to Community Planning Partners (inc. Council)
- Use of Spatial Planning as examples of good practice
- Collaboration between the two wherever possible



Lerwick

Place Standard

The Team

- Architects – Malcolmson Architects (Formerly Redman Sutherland)
- Engineers – Mott MacDonald
- Planners – AB Associates
- Urban and Landscape Designers - Iglu



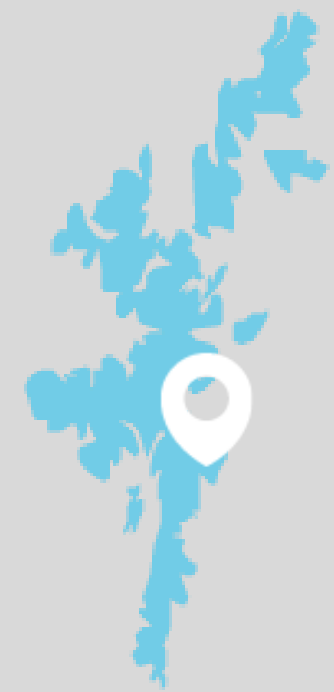
The Client

- Hjaltland Housing Association
- Shetland Islands Council





Staneyhill



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Place Standard 'As Existing'





- Shop is OK.
- Hall is good.
- Apart from these there are limited amenities.
- Feeling that the area had been left as a separate entity.
- Access to centre of Lerwick is not easy.



- There are some pedestrian walkways linking schemes.
- No signage on pathways which is confusing for visitors. You need local knowledge to get around on foot.
- Single story houses do not give shelter.
- Shelter poor



- Off street parking poor and cluttering
- Every house has at least one car
- Affects insurance if off street parking the only option
- Cars speed 20mph is fine but main road is too fast
- No crossing points
- Design of streets is poor



- Relates to the Hall again
- No outside public space to meet people other than car parks (which have been used in the past for barbeques).
- Children meet in the park in the town , not in the community
- Speaking to neighbours.
- Will say hi to people in the street.



- Be safe, especially for children
- Be focused on housing
- Have good and safe traffic management
- Offer good opportunities for movement on foot and by bike
- Substantial provision for access to open space, for play and recreation



- Conserve and enhance the natural environment
- Respect the area's heritage and traditions
- Well designed buildings that respond to local conditions
- Avoid, during construction, unacceptable impacts on neighbouring occupiers.

No Section Transport Will Be Provided if Schemes Done Within the Lifetime of the Road? But What About the Western?

SHARED OWNERSHIP AREA ALONG THE ESCARPMENT IS FAVOURABLE AND WELCOMED BY A RESIDENT OF OLD NORTH ROAD.

Fibre to the home
What provision is planned for Digital homes for the future?

Have Capacity for the Bains Moving to this area?
"9 20 units"

Concerns about the current "upper" Stoneyhill road being continued on through to the Escarpment. Our concerns are increased traffic on a road that is narrow and has parked cars all along its length. Also concerned that this

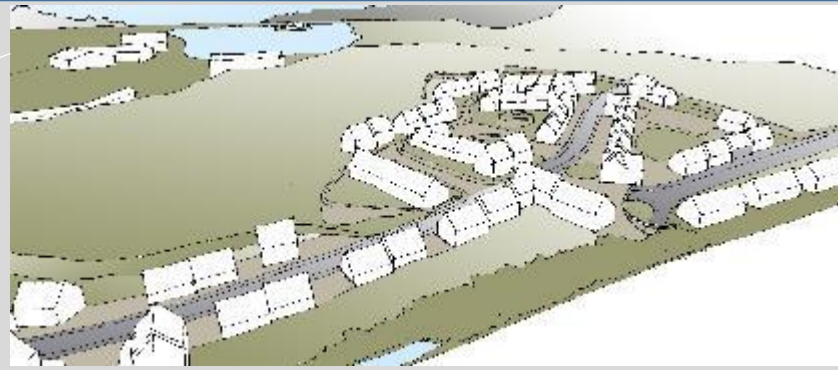
road will be used as a short cut especially by taxis. We don't see the need for this road to be opened up when access is fine from the terrace end.

Concerned about traffic movement when Road is opened giving access from Medway area to the Escarpment. At Present no through traffic - extra noise. The overall plan is pleasant.

Good to see green areas and trees maintained and further developed.



Stoneyhill



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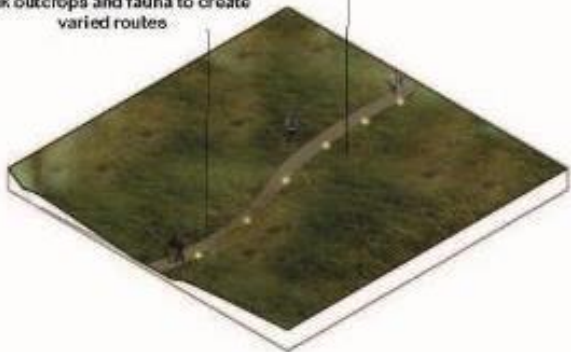
Strong natural boundary to define edge between Ridgeway corridor and housing, either stonewall over at grade interfaces or steep grass slopes rock face where development cuts into landscape

Informal links between housing areas and network of footpaths across ridgeway corridor.



Potential low level lighting along valleys to provide better navigation across site in the evening and articulate the valley form of the site when viewed from Lerwick

Informal footpaths along the valley bed, responding to local rock outcrops and fauna to create varied routes



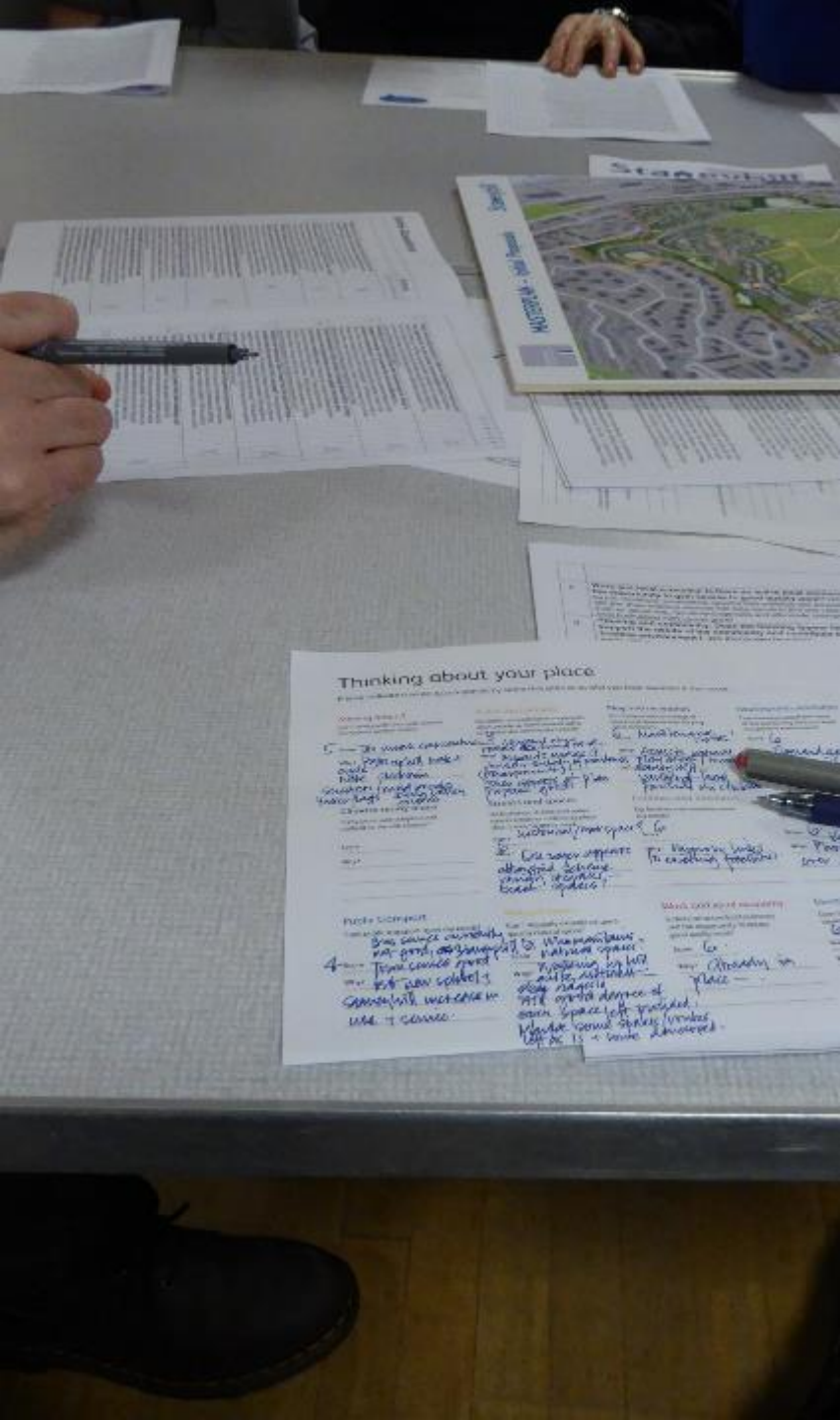
Wetlands to provide natural SUDs provision for the site, links between development areas and wetland areas enhanced by movement of water along dedicated landscape corridors throughout development areas

Tree planting along wetland areas within site, creating shelter, an attractive distinction from the more barren upland ridgeway



Viewing points in a number of locations across the Ridgeway Corridor, each points will form beacons for the site with the potential for artwork or lighting installations helping to form a new identity for the Staneyhill area





Thinking about your place
If you have any ideas or suggestions for the future of your place, please write them down on this sheet.

Comments:

- 5 - The waste collection is not good, as it is not clear what the bins are for. There are also some bins that are not used.
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Place description:

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Place Standard 'As Proposed'





- Will improve access to Clickimin
- Walking is the best bit about Staneyhill - natural play areas, full of birds
- Coffee shop on top? Public toilets?
- Will improve links to existing facilities. Good access.



- Who maintains natural spaces?
- Walking up hill quite difficult – steep ridges.
- Good degree of open space provided.
- Maybe some spaces/routes left as is and some developed.
- Keep valleys natural; single route to school is designated.



- Unrealistic!
- But Burgess Street works, bairns take over street.
- Key is priority of people over cars.



- If existing Stoney Hill joined to new development, traffic would be worse on link roads.
- Design for 20mph.
- Concerns over roads behind Old North Road.
- Noise and safety of parking (Escarpment).
- Other aspects of plan proposals good.
- Link to Heatwise is an issue.

Final Thoughts

- 'As Existing' engagement provided understanding of how surrounding areas work or don't work helping inform design approach to site
- 'As Proposed' engagement helped to reinforce design approach and highlight particular concerns