

Traffic & Tourism Plan Community Engagement Meeting – 8 July 2026

Sandra led this meeting and discussion on the initial sites identified by Inch Architecture as part of their work on the Traffic & Tourism plan for Plockton. The meeting was well attended by 25 people. Sandra gave some background to the whole process and then talked through the each site in turn (sites 1 – 11).

Discussion

- General agreement that the sites identified were the most suitable. It was noted that the bowling green area is subject to flooding.
- One potential additional site identified at An Criathrach - the rough / boggy area behind the high school.
- Traffic management should be looked at in terms of limiting traffic along Harbour street in particular heavy / campervan traffic. More prominent signage / change of road colour / restricted parking were all mentioned.
- Potential for longer stay carparking area particularly for yachts people that might be leaving vehicles for several weeks. Yellow lines on Cooper street have already helped with this.
- Development / extension of the carpark might be limited by forecast rising sea levels and also existing sewage pipe infrastructure in front of Bank street but all options should be considered.
- Some discussion around site 7 (Old tin church) and potential for development subject to access. Noted that it would be positive to have some new housing nearer to the main village. Car parking was also mentioned for this site.
- Shore facilities for fishermen are badly needed and should be factored into any plans.
- Shore facilities for visiting yachts people are also badly needed for example showers.
- Space should be found for small industrial units similar to those that have been constructed in other areas as there is a demand for workspace.
- Airstrip seen as a key asset going forward both retention of a useable airstrip / helipad but also the areas around the airstrip for other sensible development that would benefit the community. Important that the community retains control of this.
- Old primary school noted as a potential future community asset depending on outcome of Highland Council consultation.
- The previous Highland Council Local Plan proposal for a circular road to connect Frithard/Camus an Arbhair to the High School area was raised. While everyone acknowledged this is likely to remain cost-prohibitive, there was a desire for this option to be captured.

Overall a very positive discussion and it was agreed we would put the map and comments to date online seeking additional comments from anyone who was unable to attend the meeting.