



**Report to Community Planning Partnership for Argyll & Bute .  
Overview of activity for islands of Coll and Jura.**

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The island has seen changes in the working arrangements for the Development officer. The job is now shared and administration has been tightened up.

Activity on the island has increased again and consultation and engagement with all the islanders now seems to be a more robust process where news, ideas, thoughts and opinions are now freely aired and debated.

Attached to this note is a spreadsheet of financial activity & the latest newsletter.

Points to note are :-

- Conceptual drawings and design for new community hall/leisure facility published.
- Web site redesign underway - helping to circulate and comment on activity of development group.
- Architect appointed from island run tender process. <http://www.initiative-at-the-edge.org.uk/Coll/Booklet.pdf>
- Fundraising on island is going well.
- Directors Training has been delivered.
- Partnership working ongoing for
  - 1) Renewables - feasibility and access arrangements
  - 2) Housing - land and needs assessments
  - 3) Merchandise development ( Tartan , niche products as part of overall fundraising)
  - 4) Infrastructure improvements ( piers, slipways , water pump and footpaths).

In general the island is making steady progress and is developing a professional relationship with the many partners who are able to assist the community in their aspirations. Those aspirations having been robustly developed from community consultation and engagement.

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Jura :-

The island has made a substantial effort by integrating the various community consultations and plans into a single regeneration project.

The project was presented to the CPP management group at the end of 2007.

Key projects are

- Fast ferry option to mainland - Tayvallich - with new landing and transfer facilities within Craighouse.
- Antlers building restoration and conversion to teashop, craft shop and visitor centre.
- Village Hall refurbishment
- Car Park for village centre
- Renewables options re Bio Fuel.

The islanders presented two legs of the project - fast ferry and antlers restoration - to the A&B Funding Hub on 6<sup>th</sup> February 08.

Both projects were warmly received and officers present noted :-

- Preparatory work completed to a professional degree
- Outcomes were clear
- Funding arrangements were achievable
- Areas where the Hub could advise and assist

It is to be hoped that this regeneration project can be assisted by wider CPP and that the islanders can deliver this for their community.

Attached to this note are the latest base report and a short financial breakdown from the island.

## Initiative at the Edge Base Report

<b>Area</b>	Isle of Jura
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**Contacts** - Please list all relevant contacts (Ensure people listed are actual people who will be able to deal with Initiative business)

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Please use the space below to indicate any past, current and future projects for your area/s. Outlining the status and progress of the specific project

Action	Target	Indicator	Progress
<b>Passenger Ferry</b>	Put in place a summer only passenger ferry from Craighouse, Jura to Crinan (North Knapdale) for three years.	On-going	<b>A three week passenger ferry trial has been successfully completed – Sep 2007.</b> Business Plan complete. Enhanced DRT application sent to Douglas Blades on 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2007 expect to hear results end of February 2008. Tender process to be issued before end of February. John Peden is looking at the Tayvallich infrastructure, drawings being done for planning. North Knapdale Community Council Meeting on 13 <sup>th</sup> November proved positive for support. Leader programme also a possibility for funding if LA's cannot. Spoke with Lorna Elliot, waiting for criteria to be confirmed by European partners. small amount of funds still to be raised. Application made to RTG for £17500 for connecting bus service at Tayvallich, result looks promising. Still to secure revenue. Meeting held 6 <sup>th</sup> February with Funding Hub, feedback was positive. Pontoons at Craighouse are STILL under process with HIE Argyll & Islands & Jura Development Trust. JDT are waiting for a commitment of funding level 75% (which has been reduced twice from offer of 100%) There are now discussions that this will be further reduced to 67%. Ken Abernethy at HIE is looking into this. Enough funding is secured to fit 75% but not 67%. Infrastructure at Tayvallich is underway.
<b>Countryside Access</b> North of Village Hall, Craighouse.	To complete a parking area for approx twenty cars including interpretation cairn and recreational picnic area. <b>Encouraging walking within the village – tourist/visitors can leave vehicles here and enjoy the surrounding area on foot.</b>	On-going	<b>Land now under ownership of community.</b> John Peden to release drawings to Morham and Brotchie by end of December for costs – COSTS STILL TO BE RECEIVED. It is hoped that the Council and SNH can help with funding toward this project. LEADER European programme also being approached for funding. Initial Enquiry form submitted to Lorna Elliot by January 2008, await results.
Roads and Passing Places	To upgrade roads and passing places	Work underway	Work has commenced 26 <sup>th</sup> June 07 starting at the north of the island working down toward Gatehouse, Tarbert where previous stage had reached. 28 passing places complete so far.

Beach Clean	Up keep of our shorelines and beaches throughout from Feolin to Ardfarnal.	On-going	April beach clean raised £600. Match funding application being submitted to Diageo to help raise funds for community marquee. Next clean April 2008. £200 awarded to the Playground Association. Diageo pledged £2200, January 2008 to fund Marquee accessories – generator, tarpaulin lighting and stage - to be purchased.
Crofting Land	Bring more families to Jura.		Five or Six new crofts planned for Ardfin behind distillery warehouse. New Crofting Bill will be enacted in two phases. The first, from 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2007, will introduce the ability to create new crofts and allow the Commission to deal with neglected croft land. The second phase will be introduced in January 2008 and includes covering the regulatory work of the Commission.
BT Internet	Upgrade exchange on island to help self employment		Looking into upgrading of mast to accommodate 8mb for those who can receive broadband. Other options being considered for those beyond the threshold. Broadband consultant attended Public meeting on 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2007 to discuss all alternative options for small clusters of housing North and South of the island out with the threshold.
Regeneration Plan	An umbrella venture incorporating seven projects within Craighouse area	On-going	<b>Isle of Jura Community Plan – 1<sup>st</sup> edition</b> compiled and released December 2007. It is intended to update this at least twice per year and distribute locally and to all supporting groups and potential funders. This plan is based on a community consultation ‘Event Day’ which took place 4 <sup>th</sup> September to review the plan. All existing projects assisted by various community groups, these are; <i>Jura Development Trust</i> - Antlers tea-room & interpretation centre, Pontoons & moorings and Bio-fuel. <i>IatE</i> - Car park & recreational area and Direct mainland Passenger ferry service. <i>Village Hall Committee</i> - Village Hall refurbishment <i>Jura Community Business</i> – Workshops and <i>Jura Care Centre Group</i> -

Please indicate any projects past, present and future and outline amount, if any, of funding approved and the amount of funding spent

Project Title	Funding Approved	Funding Spent
Beach Clean April	£750.00	£750.00
Beach Clean August	£225.00	£200.00
Beach Clean April 07	£600.00	£600.00

<b>Passenger Ferry</b>	£40,000 RSPA	
	£7,500 Capital Receipts	
	£10,000 MAKI	
<i>Passenger trial Service</i>	(£7600) A&BC	
Ticket Revenue	£2200	£9600
Community Marquee	£2200 - Diageo	
<b>Development Plan</b>	<b>£10,000 -</b>	
Passenger Ferry Demonstration		£103.40
Car Park Investigation		£198.16
Car Park Ownership Fees		£1292.50
Transfer of disposition of land		£650.99
Accounts (JDT)		£800.00

Please list below any pending media coverage or recent media coverage providing a details of who provided the media coverage – if possible

Media Coverage	Details of media coverage	Contact details
Jura Jottings	101 island recipients 175 mainland recipients	We continue to report our progress in our local newspaper.

List any local links that you would want to see on the Initiative at the edge website:

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Any other information

£750 raised from April Beach Clean. £300 awarded to Playground Association, £300 to School Board for trips and £150 to Jura Badminton Club.

£198.16 spent for the investigation carried out on the land ownership of the foreshore.

£225 raised from August Beach Clean. £200 to be used to produce large display boards for exhibitions in hall. £25 remains as kitty for next clean – food and drink.

£600 raised from April 2007 Beach Clean. £200 awarded to Playground Association. £400 awarded to community marquee

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