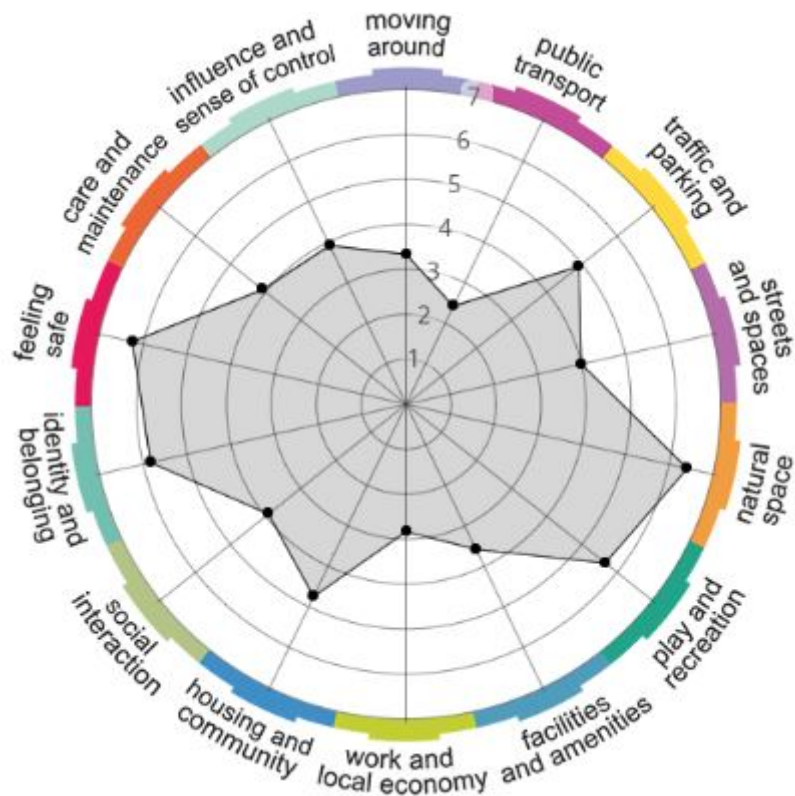


Carradale Responses 2019



Priority Areas for Improvement:



Public Transport



Work and Local Economy



Moving Around

How good is your place? Area wide engagement results using the Place Standard Tool

Between May and October 2019, the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) used [the Place Standard tool](#) to engage residents in Argyll and Bute on how they feel about the place(s) that they live and work in Argyll and Bute.

We are very grateful to all the responses that we received. We hope you find the information easy to understand and of interest to you and your community.

We are pleased to see that the thematic areas of Natural Space, Feeling Safe, Identity and Sense of Belonging and Social Contact came out with the highest scores, needing the least improvement, when considering Argyll and Bute as a whole.

The engagement has been undertaken at a place-based level and respondents provided their postcode, groupings of postcodes have created the settlement/community level detail.

The results are available for community groups and partner agencies to use, for example, to assist with service planning or for community-led action plans.

Please note: The information is the views of individuals who responded to the engagement. We trust that the information provided will be viewed within the context of which it is provided. We are grateful to all those who have taken part in the consultation and believe in sharing information for openness and transparency.

We appreciate that the documents can be lengthy due to the amount of information and we hope that the format is user-friendly.

If you have any questions, please see our Frequently Asked Questions Guide or contact Community Planning by e-mail: cppadmin@argyll-bute.gov.uk , phone: 01546 604 464.

Next steps




This information is helping to shape plans for the area. Other information such as information from partners' data and statistics is also used to consider priorities for improvement. The CPP will analyse the information to identify priority themes for improvement within each of the four administrative areas and shape actions to address these where this is possible with resources.

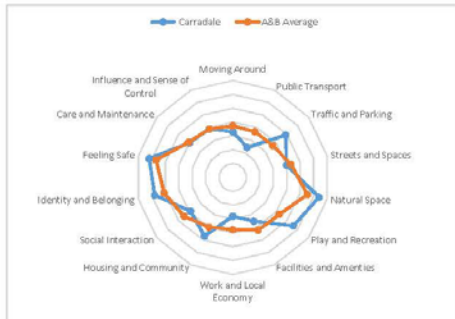
We are currently mapping out what activity is already happening, what is planned within the next 3-4 years and where the gaps are. This information will be considered by both the CPP Management Committee and the Area Community Planning Groups to shape the actions.

The final agreed actions will become part of our four Area Community Planning Action Plans, due to be refreshed in 2021. To get involved, contact your local [Area Community Planning Group](#).




Carradale Responses

Our Top Rated Areas are:

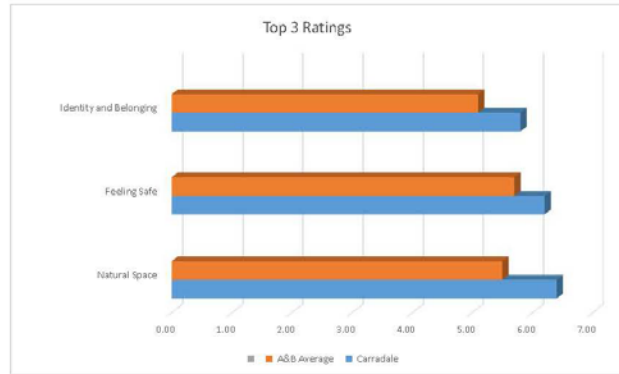
	Natural Space	Respondents rated this area 6.4 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.5 out of 7.
	Feeling Safe	Respondents rated this area 6.2 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.7 out of 7.
	Identity and Belonging	Respondents rated this area 5.8 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.1 out of 7.



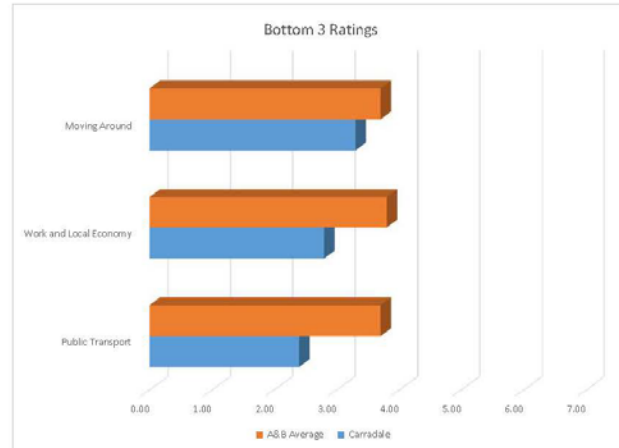
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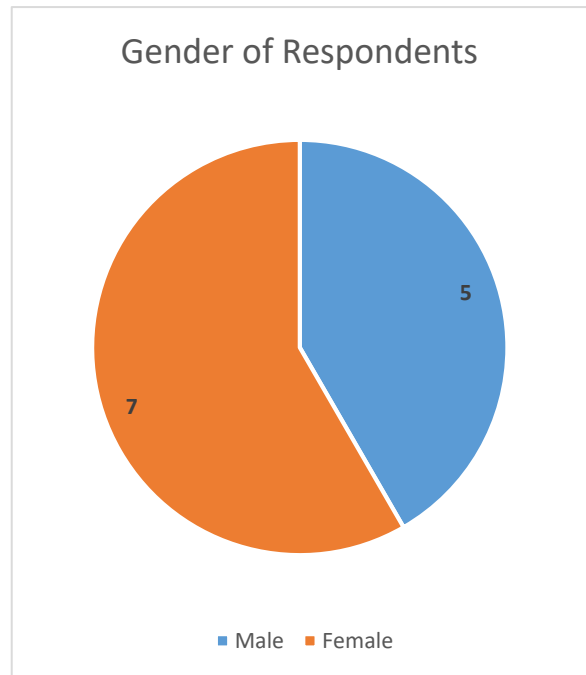
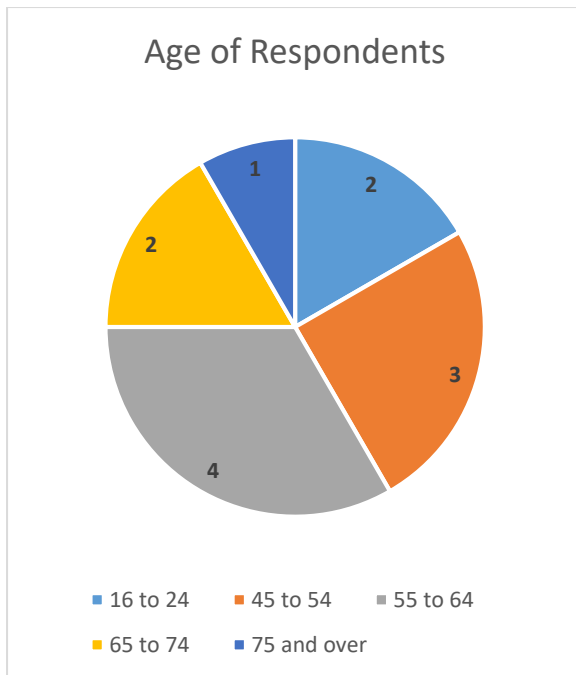
	Public Transport	Respondents rated this area 2.4 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.7 out of 7.
	Work and Local Economy	Respondents rated this area 2.8 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.8 out of 7.
	Moving Around	Respondents rated this area 3.3 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.7 out of 7.

Top 3 Ratings



Bottom 3 Ratings





Thematic areas by lowest score to highest score

Thematic Area	Average Score
Public Transport	2.4
Work and Local Economy	2.8
Moving Around	3.3
Facilities and Amenities	3.5
Social Contact	3.9
Influence and Sense of Control	3.9
Streets and Spaces	4.0
Care and Maintenance	4.0
Housing and Community	4.7
Traffic and Parking	4.9
Play and Recreation	5.6
Identity and Belonging	5.8
Feeling Safe	6.2
Natural Space	6.4

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 3.3							
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	4 responses	2 responses	0 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

Forest tracks provide potentially excellent walking/riding, but rarely link up to enable circular routes.
More paths need signs. Some paths get very muddy and need a better surface. We need paths along the road where it is narrow and windy to allow folks with kids to walk and cycle between amenities.
My only bug bear with Carradale is the lack of street lights at one end of the village and no pavements. It makes it dangerous in the winter when you have to walk on the road and no lighting.
Needs more pavements and bicycle paths. All of them need tarmac covering - old people can't handle potholed paths
no foot bath to beach
Road access immediately adjacent to my home is full of potholes and a serious trip hazard. When I was a child the road was tarred but has fallen into disrepair. It has been declared adopted as records have seemingly been lost. Most people living in this vicinity are elderly so it is a serious health hazard.
Roads are narrow and full of holes. Little off road paths and what there are aren't being kept up (e.g. Kintyre Way)
There are a few walking and cycling routes, but they are not well joined up, nor are they accessible for many with mobility issues. Thus, many of the paths, cycle routes and forestry tracks just end in the middle of nowhere, when with a little investment, they could be joined together into an integrated trail system.
There is always room for improvement
Walking in Carradale is very popular, especially by visitors. There are many lovely woodland and beach walks that are hard to surpass. However, in the main habitation areas there are only limited footpaths and most walking and cycling is done on main/side roads.

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 2.4							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
4 responses	2 responses	4 responses	1 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

5 buses a day ending at 5.30 and none on a Sunday so can't even go to the pub or cinema
Bus facility very limited.
I rarely use the only bus service between Carradale and Campbeltown as it is infrequent and doesn't connect with the service to Glasgow. There really needs to be a Friday/Saturday late evening service to allow us to use the facilities in Campbeltown and get public transport home.
It is wonderful to have a bus service, but because the times are awkward for my needs, I tend not to use it. For instance, there is no coordination with ferries or other bus services (the 926, for instance). Moreover, they don't run in the evenings, which is when I would most likely use them for visiting the Cinema, going to the pub or eating out at a restaurant.
Large buses used for very few people. I don't use the bus a lot but it is cheap. Perhaps more buses running but appreciate it's probably not cost effective
Limited bus service and no Sunday service or bus after 1815 at night
Living in Peninver the last bus into Campbeltown is at 18:45. The last bus from Campbeltown to Peninver is at 17:30
Need more buses to and from Campbeltown, one early in the morning (for those who work in Campbeltown) and one in the evening (for those who wish to go out for the evening). Taxis are expensive (£35 each way) and not everyone drives
No bus route between Carradale and Skipness to provide access to either Campbeltown or Tarbert. However - a bus would probably cause more problems for other road users on this stretch than its use would justify.
No Sunday or evening services to allow for visits to the cinema etc.
Whilst there is a reasonable bus service from Carradale to Campbeltown, it doesn't match/meet up with the main Campbeltown-Glasgow bus times either in the early morning or evening. Since these are the main non-car route out to a city this isn't brilliant (£35 taxi ride each way). Likewise there is only a patchy service from C-town to Oban, which is also a shame as this is the main shopping town for folks in C-town and our nearest RBS bank. Finally the ferry service from S Kintyre needs to be more regular through-out the year - either a) keep the Cloanaig-Lochranna service all year (so Brodick-Ardrossan service is accessible for visitors and locals) or b) run more times in the winter on the Tarbert-Portavadie service so the Dunoon-Greenock service can be made both ways without cause for concern/timing, Likewise the Ardrossan - C-town ferry needs more runs and to be REGULAR through-out the week, not cancelled or dropped as it has regularly been these most recent years

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 4.9							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	3 responses	4 responses	0 responses	1 responses	4 responses	0 responses

Comments

A small community but no real issue with excessive traffic or parking. Harbour carpark at times has a large container placed on it which uses several spaces.
Always room for improvement
Ample passing places on this stretch of road (B842). Any more alterations to improve traffic flow would result in faster and consequently more dangerous driving. Passing place signs are a bit too intrusive - quite distracting at night, when it often looks as though an oncoming vehicle's headlights are ahead. The signs also look out of place with the rural surroundings. The old black and white poles were sufficient - did the job and had a certain local charm about them. Use of the road by motor homes and caravans makes for difficulties, particularly during summer.
Because we are so rural, there is not that much traffic, except during the tourist season, so this is not much of an issue either way.
no parking issues but the speed limit through Saddell village should be 30 not 60
No traffic much here
Not an issue
Very little formal parking areas and on-road or private gardens are the norm for parking. There main area of habitation around Woodside/Tormhor needs parking to be reviewed and updated.

Q4. Streets and Spaces: Do the streets and public spaces create an attractive place that is easy to navigate?

12 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
2 responses	1 responses	1 responses	4 responses	1 responses	1 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Comments

Grogport needs no more intervention. Its simplicity is its attraction. The picnic area is perfect (although over-filled bins are often an eye-sore). Carradale - despite 'development' the harbour area has absolutely nothing to recommend it. The harbour of any village/town is a key draw for inhabitants and visitors alike and often sets the character. In Carradale there is nothing to encourage people to stop and enjoy the space. The bulk of the area seems to be a dumping ground for the fish farm.
Most places in Carradale are accessible.
Not an issue
Some areas adjacent to the main road through the village are very overgrown and untidy making it unattractive for residents and visitors. The waste collection system for my area is extremely poor. 4 large domestic bins to service 16 homes plus 5 caravans. No individual bins as the bin lorry does not collect from our road. Bins at the end of the road are always overflowing, stinking and a health hazard. No one cleans them as they are communal! No control over what is put into bins by passers-by although they are supposed to be for residents only. Absolutely disgraceful service provided by the council. Elderly residents have to take rubbish to the end of a potholed road. A complaint has been raised, nothing done yet. Bins sit at the edge of the main road through the village so are a constant eyesore to whoever passes. Rubbish is scattered quite a distance by seagulls and windy conditions. Carradale was a lovely village. This is an eyesore. The large bay is not cleaned effectively or frequently and therefore unattractive for visitors. This should be an attraction for visitors.
The derelict buildings in Campbeltown could do with restoring (not knocking down, they are wonderful Victorian buildings). The toilets needs upgrading for tourists.
There are very few formal public spaces in Carradale as not is a small and disparate community. The whole area around the harbour needs some serious attention as it has great potential but currently is something of an eyesore.
walking on road with no footpath is dangerous
Whilst we have a wealth of natural beauty around us, we are very, very neglected when it comes to support for our heritage and history, and for things to do at night or in bad weather.

Q5. Natural Space: Can I experience good quality green spaces?

12 responses in total – Average Score of 6.4							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	2 responses	3 responses	7 responses	0 responses

Comments

Again, because we are very rural, we are blessed with natural space. We could do with support to enable more people to enjoy it however, as there is limited seating and limited access for people with mobility issues.
As previously stated, some open spaces are untidy, not kept up. Forrest tracks, walks not kept clear for easy walking.
Not an issue
Picnic spots at Griannan and Grogport are excellent - offer a facility without detracting from the natural surroundings. Accessing any of the many areas that allow views of the Kilbrannon Sound could be perfect - there are many places to reach these views, the wildlife is varied and the atmosphere wonderful. A shame that a loud, continuous droning from the Carradale fish farm is often the background noise. If consent is granted for another wind farm, this score would be 1. The visual impact and noise from the turbines will have an unforgivably detrimental effect on enjoyment of this area. People move here and holiday here for the views and the quiet - they are the most paramount features of the area and must be protected.
Surrounded by natural beauty but we need more paths that are usable for those who can't walk well.
There is an abundance of beauty around Carradale from the ocean to forests and all accessible
This has to be Carradale's biggest selling point with some fantastic countryside/seaside and even disability buggies to get the less able out and about to explore and enjoy.

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 5.6							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	1 responses	3 responses	3 responses	4 responses	0 responses

Comments

Depends on what you do for recreation. For me and what I enjoy, it meets my needs well
No help from Argyll and Bute Council. Community raised the money for the weans' playground.
Owing to the hard work of private individuals, we now have a safe play park for children, a cricket ground and a football pitch. However, many in our village have limited opportunity for play and recreation, especially teenagers and the elderly: there are no buses for them in the evenings and limited ones at weekends; we have lost our village shop so there is almost nowhere to socialise on a regular basis (this holds true for everyone); the harbour has no facilities that would attract play and recreation. Bar activities in the Village Hall, there is little to do during the winter months.
Play and recreation does not always have to be artificially provided. Neither have to come from a built environment and emphasis could be put on appreciating the natural facilities, which are not available to communities living in urban environments. I am unaware of any provision for teenagers in Carradale, which might be required.
The recently revamped play area is a reasonable facility for supervised children but requires proper funding to keep it in good condition and safe for users. It needs monitoring properly to allow proper maintenance.
There is a totally refurbished play park for children and plenty of other safe open spaces for them to play. Swimming and engaging with larger groups of children has to be done in Campbeltown some 15 miles away.
We have a football/cricket field and a children's playpark. More opportunities for outside play/exercise would be good - outdoor gym, tennis etc. Or more facilities for water based activities like pontoons by the harbour and showers, toilets and cafe to get clean and warm afterwards.

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.

12 responses in total – Average Score of 3.5							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
4 responses	1 responses	2 responses	0 responses	2 responses	0 responses	3 responses	0 responses

Comments

Everything is low-key, but essentials provided for (GP surgery and school), which is as it should be in a rural community. Extras provided in Campbeltown and Tarbert.
excellent services in Campbeltown but no buses in the evening
It's adequate. It's a small village and considering that, we have what we need.
Not an issue
Shop has closed. The Hotel is never open - it breaks agreement that it signed with regards opening hours and its license - and when it is open it is falling apart. The Harbour is rusting away.
Shops? A community shop which is a much needed facility after almost a year of no general store. This facility is great for buying a small amount of items but not suitable for elderly residents who do not drive as it is in an area distant from most houses. Lack of public transport frequency means it is easier for folks to go to Campbeltown by bus to get a few items rather than wait several hours where there are no facilities for a return bus. 1 post office/ store. 1 part time paper shop. Hotel/ Glen restaurant/ network centre which seem to be frequently closed. The facilities in the village are getting fewer. It must be difficult for people to keep businesses going.
The implied possibility of further restrictions (and hence more travel) on what is offered by the local GP surgery due to the changes made by the Scottish Government as well as the difficulty in recruitment.
We have lost our village shop, our GP surgery is under threat, and we have no library, bank, petrol station, nursery or casual meeting places (other than the Village Hall). The pubs and restaurants are increasingly seasonal in operation. This is a huge problem for our village. Efforts are being made to create a village hub with more amenities for our village, but so far we have received minimal help from anyone at any level of government for this effort.
With the closure of our only shop in August 2018 we lost one of our key amenities. While a temporary shop has been established a long term solution is necessary. Other than a golf course, one or two restaurants, surgery etc. all larger amenities are in Campbeltown.

Q8. Work and Local Economy: Is there an active local economy with good-quality work opportunities?

12 responses in total – Average Score of 2.83							
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	3 responses	1 responses	3 responses	2 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Few employment opportunities. Need attractive, versatile work/retail premises to rent at affordable prices for business start-ups.
If wind farms are allowed to proliferate, the area is likely to become less attractive to tourists who provide an income for many local people.
Job opportunities are thin on the ground but I have secured employment through caring work in the village. There's a limit with a population of around 400.
Much local authority work has been centralised in the fiefdom of Kilmory depriving the outlining areas.
No. And A&B council seem quite happy to look after their own, up round Lochgilphead, but don't give a fig for what happens down in Kintyre. They talk a lot, but never deliver any change.
Not really sure how much local employment is available within the area.
Our local economy is moribund, with our population ageing at a frightening rate. Our village hub plan would create a variety of jobs - especially for younger people; it would provide spaces for local businesses to start up and grow, as well as for training and education. It is a make or break effort for the future of our village.
The age demographics of Carradale tell their own story of the lack of employment opportunities. Even the introduction of fish farming has had limited impact as most employees travel from outwit the village. Many have to commute to Campbeltown for work or training. A couple of small businesses do create some employment but the area badly needs an influx of working families who can find employment in the community.
What jobs?

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 4.7							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	1 responses	1 responses	4 responses	2 responses	2 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Comments

<p>Many homes in Carradale are owned by people as holiday homes and this is killing the community. Some barely spend any time, and therefore money, in the village. The shop closed, not enough business and young people can't get lower priced homes because people with money are snapping the affordable housing up. I find this extremely worrying. It's a trend that I don't think Carradale can continue to sustain as it does have a detrimental effect on village life and community. Most houses sold here are bought as second homes.</p>
<p>Mix of social and private meets most of the needs, but policy of housing problem families in a small village creates disharmony and was a huge mistake.</p>
<p>Ok.</p>
<p>We have a crisis in housing because much of the existing stock has been bought for seasonal holiday homes or lets. There is very little provision for young families. If we succeed in reviving the community through our village hub plans, we will need to secure homes for those taking up the new jobs. We have also lost our care home, and with an increasingly ageing population, this is a serious loss.</p>
<p>spacious accommodation with terrible maintenance</p>
<p>There are many holiday homes in the area and houses can take a long time to sell which would seem to indicate that housing provision in the private sector is more than adequate.</p>
<p>There is a range of property types and values. Property of varying price fairly regularly coming on the market and usually selling. A good variety of property within Carradale.</p>

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 3.9							
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	1 responses	0 responses	2 responses	3 responses	2 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

Church, village Hall, Hotel, Bar, Golf Club are amongst the main places to meet people. However, the principle place to interact with others in the community was the local shop. A permanent solution is essential for not just purchases but healthy social interaction.
Could do with more choice of small informal spaces to meet.
Due to lack of welcoming areas of social activity this could do with some fresh activities to promote health and wellbeing of residents.
Local Shop has shut. Hotel only opens when it suits the owners, rather than following its agreement for its licensing hours.
We lost our village shop and have few other venues where people can casually meet, other than the village hall. For community cohesion, this is a crucial issue that needs addressing - and one we hope to address through our village hub if we can manage to get it built.
Seems to be plenty of community activity. Good village hall - although rather out of village.
There's always room for improvement but I find Carradale very inclusive. Lots goes on in and around the village if you look. You live here for the peace and solitude anyway so I'm happy with the current balance.
transport issues

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 5.8							
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	0 responses	0 responses	3 responses	2 responses	6 responses	0 responses

Comments

Generally there is a very positive feeling about belonging to Carradale, although this can become unhealthy when some "locals" start taking exception to the "incomers". There are fantastic little pockets of real close community, but also other areas where there is much less neighbourliness.
I've always felt welcome and accepted here. It has a strong identity as it's an old fishing village with much history.
No issues
Our area has a lot of history and is very much loved by its residents. Local groups and neighbours hold us together and keep our history and heritage alive. However, as our population ages, we are losing more and more of the repositories of this knowledge and feeling - and we have nowhere suitable to keep the records and to celebrate our heritage and culture publicly. See above.
Seriously lacking in community spirit.
There is a strong rural identity. Plenty of historical info - including books - specifically about the area. Attitude to lifestyle seems the important bond and this desired lifestyle - simplicity, quiet, appreciable landscapes/views, abundance of wildlife - should be held paramount when any planning decisions made. There is a wildness to this area that people enjoy. Care should be taken not to over-develop or manicure.

Q12. Feeling Safe: Do I feel safe here?

12 responses in total – Average Score of 6.2							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	1 responses	1 responses	4 responses	6 responses	0 responses

Comments

Being an extremely remote rural community at the end of a 20 mile single track road, there is a real feeling of safety, with only a very few exceptions. Most houses/cars can be left unlocked without fear of crime, although a recent incident changed this slightly.

Generally a safe place to stay.

I feel totally safe but I still lock my doors. Evil may not live here but it can certainly visit.

The policy of out-placing families - with little consultation with the community - has caused the only issues in this regard.

Q13. Care and Maintenance: Are buildings and spaces well cared for?

12 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
2 responses	0 responses	2 responses	2 responses	4 responses	1 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

Can't remember the last time that A&B COUNCIL actually did any repair work in Carradale - to the roads, to the paths. Shop is shut. Hotel is falling down. Harbour is rusting away. What do we pay our council tax for?
Everywhere here is well looked after. Villagers also contribute in the way of flower displays and will give of their time to tidy up beaches, war memorial garden etc. No eyesores here.
Generally the area looks cared for. There are very few unkempt properties. Verges are kept tidy. Village signs are in good order. Only let down by Carradale harbour area.
Harbour area requires a great deal of upgrading and maintenance.
I have lived here for 5 yrs. and the roads have been swept twice
Maintaining open public spaces often ends up being done by volunteers or by contractors paid for by the local windfarm trust. Local authority services are very basic and minimal.
Some paths need more attention. The harbour area is a disgrace and should be made more attractive to help with tourism and avert the feeling of decay.

Q14. Influence and Sense of Control: Do I feel able to take part in decisions and help change things for the better?

12 responses in total – Average Score of 3.9							
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	2 responses	2 responses	3 responses	1 responses	2 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

A&B council do not give any impression of either listening or acting upon anything in Kintyre.
Despite having flagged up the bin issue in my area several times now, with the appropriate department, I feel that I have not been listened to.
I can take part in discussions but the Council don't act on them and what was the Forestry Commission have reduced foot paths and maintenance too.
More people complain than are prepared to volunteer and help make the community better. It always seems to come down to the same small group of volunteers, with the majority just moaning. Still have an active Community Council through which people can make their voice heard.
The local community trust is trying - it has arranged a resident and visitor survey and is making a local plan from it.
There is a strong feeling in East Kintyre of having been forgotten. Active support for our development plans and our local GP surgery would go some way towards mitigating the feeling those in power favour their own patch at the expense of others.
Yes, by virtue of thus questionnaire, for example.

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

1. Finding support for a community shop, and accessible spaces for celebrating our heritage, culture and history, that also cater to hard to reach groups.
2. Creating jobs, housing for young residents and a secure GP surgery.
3. Changing the attitude at all levels of government, so that the issues facing East Kintyre begin to be heard and addressed in an open and transparent way.

Appropriate bin facility urgently needed. Road maintenance

Carradale being eroded away by a mostly absent population of second home owners is my major worry because it is so destructive to the village and its community. It is a trend I don't think it can sustain indefinitely

Change very little. People are moving into this specific area from elsewhere. That is a healthy sign - the area is offering something that people want. These people are often bringing revenue with them and are able to contribute to local services. Protect the landscape. Protect the quiet. Do not allow over-development.

Lack of investment

More buses to and from Campbeltown outside of the times already covered. More paths and all paths to be tarmac covered for those of us who have a hard time walking

More needs to be done to combat the drugs problem

New Shop, employment opportunities and better facilities for residents and visitors.

THE LACK OF AN EVENING BUS FROM CAMPBELTOWN TO CARRADALE MEANS WE ARE ALL TRAPPED.

We need to build on what we have to make Carradale a holiday destination again. This will present employment opportunities for our young folk so that they don't have to leave the area once they start work. Better footpaths, extended bus services and more facilities in the village would make it a healthier and desirable place to live and bring up a family.

What actions could be taken to deal with these?

From a government standpoint, there could be a pro-active effort to help us in addressing the issues raised above. Offers of support often seem to be so opaque or to come with so many hoops to jump through that people volunteering their time are quickly exhausted with the effort. For instance, where a development plan such as ours is properly costed, vetted and viable - and likely to prove transformative to the area - there should be simple and transparent funding streams to compete for, and all of these streams should be made widely and publicly known. Awards for All and Big Lottery funds are a good template for this.
Bins provided for each household and collected by an appropriately sized vehicle. This would ensure residents had control over what type of waste is put into bins. There would be no stinking eyesore at the entrance to the road and no rubbish scattered up the road. Bins may even be kept clean by residents! The waste watcher facility collects from each household, surely general waste can be collected likewise? It is not rocket science but seems beyond the capability of those currently in charge. Road surface made good.
I don't know what you can do about it. You can't legislate about who people sell their properties to. Maybe a large levy on council tax for second home owners would help but these people have money so I doubt it would deter them.
More investment
More buses to and from Campbeltown outside of the times already covered. More paths and all paths to be tarmac covered for those of us who have a hard time walking
Police know who the dealers are but do nothing about it.
Biggest issue affecting community groups at present is finding appropriate funding for some of the projects being considered, with little real help forthcoming from the local authority.
an evening bus leaving Campbeltown on a Friday and Saturday night
A local discussion between ABC and the community, guidance and access to funding and a real will to make things happen

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