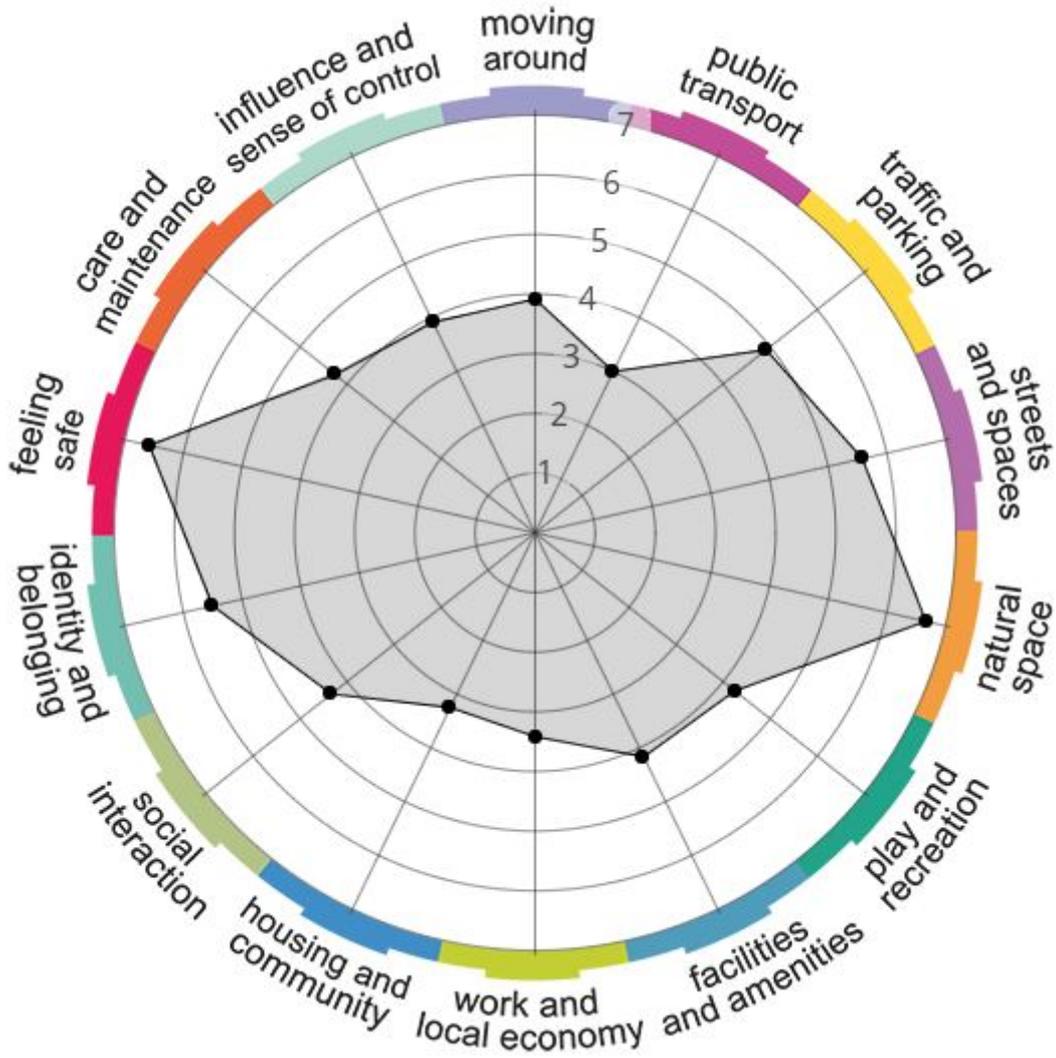


Isle of Tiree Responses 2019



Priority Areas for Improvement:



Public Transport



Work and Local Economy



Housing and Community

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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](#).

Isle of Tiree Responses

Our Top Rated Areas are:

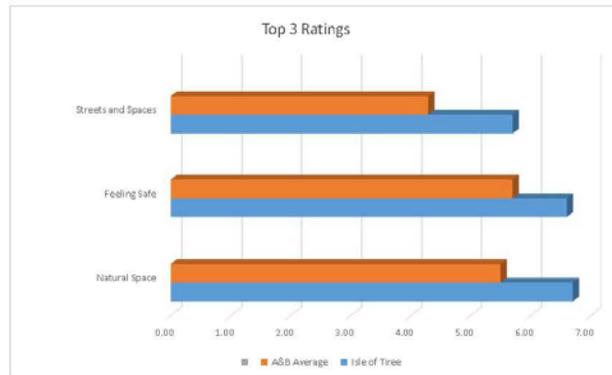
	Natural Space	Respondents rated this area 6.7 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.5 out of 7.
	Feeling Safe	Respondents rated this area 6.6 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.7 out of 7.
	Streets and Spaces	Respondents rated this area 5.7 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 4.3 out of 7.



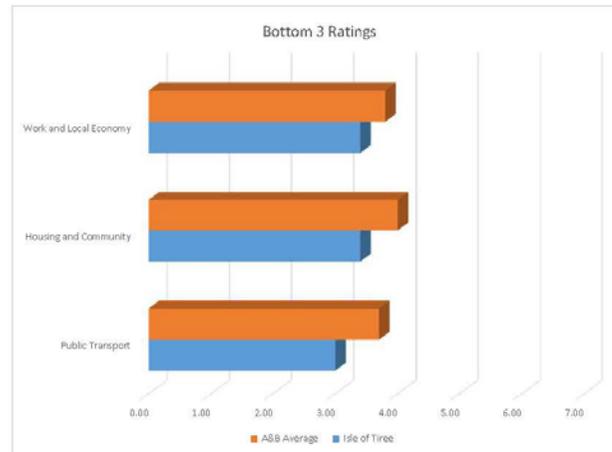
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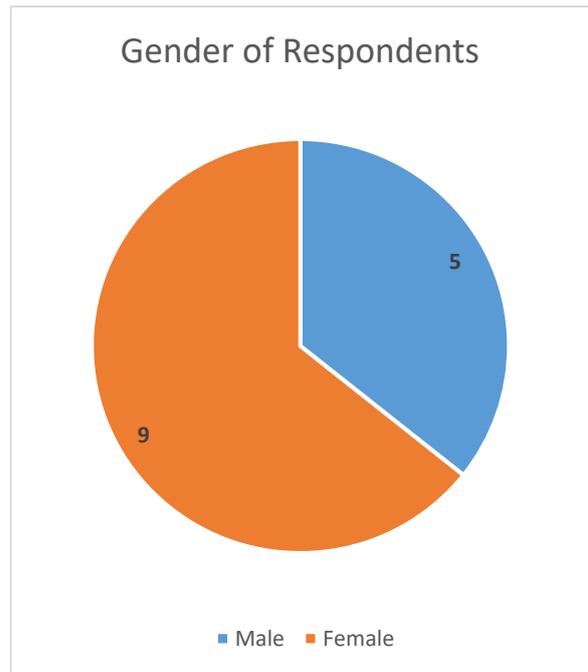
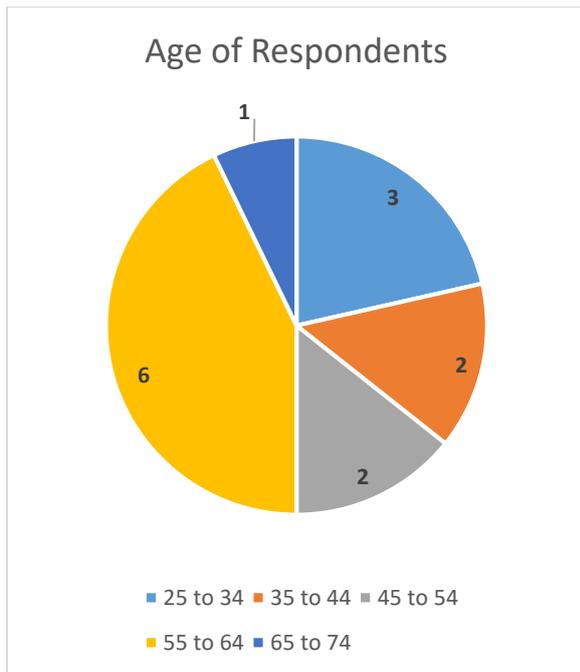
	Public Transport	Respondents rated this area 3 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.7 out of 7.
	Housing and Community	Respondents rated this area 3.4 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 4 out of 7.
	Work and Local Economy	Respondents rated this area 3.4 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.8 out of 7.

Top 3 Ratings



Bottom 3 Ratings





Thematic areas by lowest score to highest score

Thematic Area	Average Score
Public Transport	3
Work and Local Economy	3.4
Housing and Community	3.4
Influence and Sense of Control	3.9
Moving Around	4
Facilities and Amenities	4.3
Social Contact	4.3
Care and Maintenance	4.3
Play and Recreation	4.4
Traffic and Parking	5
Identity and Belonging	5.4
Streets and Spaces	5.7
Feeling Safe	6.6
Natural Space	6.7

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

13 responses in total – Average Score of 4							
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	5 responses	1 responses	2 responses	1 responses	2 responses	1 responses

Comments

Roads poorly maintained...private accesses are unsealed and there is subsequently debris on the roads
Single track roads make it very difficult when walking and cycling when the roads are busy, mainly April to October.
Single track roads, so quite unsafe at times for walking and especially riding.
The single-track roads are poorly built and maintained. There is conflict between cyclists and car users.
there are no cycle paths or pavements in Tiree so when it is busy here in the summer months it's not particularly safe to walk or cycle
There are no pavements or cycle paths on the island.
Tiree is obviously a great place for walking/cycling there are no specific cycling areas/routes mapped out and with no pavements walking with a pram is difficult.
We have 1 way track roads which are heavily used and not well maintained. Large pot holes in many areas.

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

14 responses in total – Average Score of 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	5 responses	2 responses	0 responses	2 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Community bus is good. But it is often impossible for residents to get vehicles on the ferry during the summer months... this last year prevented us selling our lambs at premium price
The Caledonian MacBrayne service is very unreliable and seems to be getting worse every year.
The only public transport is a ring-and-ride service, which may take some time.
There is just one dial-a-bus on the island and so it can be difficult to get from a to b if the bus is already booked up. Other than that there is no other public transport.
There is no normal public transport on Tiree. We have a ring and ride service which is very helpful of course.
There is only a ring and ride bus which can be unreliable.

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

14 responses in total – Average Score of 5							
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	2 responses	0 responses	1 responses	4 responses	7 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Car parks are poorly maintained. Tourist beach parking is not adequate
Folk park wherever they want and can damage land.
There is ample free parking.
There's not too much in the way of traffic here most of the year.
There's plenty of room in Tiree!

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

14 responses in total – Average Score of 5.7							
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	1 responses	0 responses	6 responses	5 responses	0 responses

Comments

Play park needs improving and there are a lot of rundown buildings that ruin the landscape.
There's very few public buildings here. We live in a lovely natural environment.

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

14 responses in total – Average Score of 6.7							
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	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	2 responses	0 responses	12 responses	0 responses

Comments

Plenty of natural space!
Tiree is beautiful
Very open and scenic
We are surrounded by beautiful natural spaces which are available to everyone.

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

14 responses in total – Average Score of 4.4							
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	3 responses	2 responses	3 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Comments

Lots of outdoor activities available for young and old.
One small play park for under 11. Inadequate facilities for older youngster
Small outdated park. No indoor play space and no swimming pool or other indoor activities. The children fall behind in swimming, dance, gymnastics and other activities available on the mainland.
There is a children's playpark, but very little for adults.
There is a very good playpark available
There is only a small park on the island and no indoor play areas of any type for the children. This is a serious problem we have for our kids and little support to improve this.

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.

14 responses in total – Average Score of 4.3							
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	2 responses	2 responses	4 responses	2 responses	4 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Limited places to eat/drink/socialise on the Island. Limited child care. School is not great and needs improvement.
No facilities except island hall
There are many small cafes and restaurants on Tiree which are open during good tourist times, otherwise there can be very little. The Co-Op being open early and late and all weekend helps a lot.
Very seasonal and not always great quality.
We have all essential amenities and all are of excellent quality, though a swimming pool would be nice!

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 3.4							
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	3 responses	4 responses	1 responses	1 responses	0 responses	2 responses

Comments

Not many good quality jobs available.
There are a few jobs but they are low paying. Many people leave the island for job prospects.
There are not a lot of jobs on the Island that offer salaries and good T&C's.
This is a crofting community with limited employment opportunities. Most people seem to have several jobs in order to get by. The jobs that are available tend to be seasonal casual labour paying the minimum wage.
Younger adults leave because of no work

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

14 responses in total – Average Score of 3.4							
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	2 responses	8 responses	1 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

There is almost nowhere to rent or buy affordable housing.
Housing is expensive to buy and there are few long term rental properties because they are holiday lets.
There is plenty of houses in the area. However there is no affordable housing for existing families and new family wishing to move here. Housing costs both in the rental and buying market are extremely high and drive away young families and young potential families from the island. This needs a serious looking at.
Most property is now holiday homes
A lot of holiday homes
There's not enough affordable housing for young people, and many houses are holiday homes.

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

13 responses in total – Average Score of 4.3							
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	4 responses	1 responses	5 responses	1 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

Feel there is little social opportunities for young adults that don't involve loud entertainment or drinking
I feel for the older generation have a better availability to this, however young, new families with small children and toddlers do not. All in all more is needs done here also
Limited
More supported/sheltered housing needed
There's lots going on in Tiree for all ages.

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

13 responses in total – Average Score of 5.4							
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	1 responses	3 responses	1 responses	6 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Comments

I feel it can be unwelcoming to new people at times. Very set in their ways. Identity not always positive.
I think people are proud to live here.

Q12. Feeling Safe: Do I feel safe here?

14 responses in total – Average Score of 6.6							
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	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses	5 responses	9 responses	0 responses

Comments

Been a bit of crime lately when there never used to be.
Extremely.
Feel safe for most part but still check over my shoulder, especially when alone and during Summer
We feel very safe here, though sadly there have been a few thefts on the island over the past year so we now have to lock our doors.

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

12 responses in total – Average Score of 4.3							
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	3 responses	1 responses	0 responses	6 responses	2 responses	0 responses	2 responses

Comments

General maintaining could be improved in most public places
Lots of falling down buildings.

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
0 responses	1 responses	2 responses	7 responses	1 responses	1 responses	0 responses	2 responses

Comments

I am personally not interested in community involvement.
I don't feel there is much opportunity for this available.
I feel that new islanders have taken over
There's a very active community council here.

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

Affordable housing for young folk Job opportunities Cycle paths
An indoor activity facility with soft play and pool. More decent paying jobs and better/quicker access to the mainland.
House prices and affordable housing. Capping the holiday housing on the island to provide opportunity for long term stays for families. And a safe indoor play/activity space for toddler children and teenagers.
Lack of supported/sheltered housing
On the Island I think the priority areas should be: Employment Opportunities, Sustainability of lie line ferry service, Affordable housing, Improve Education
Perhaps a bit more for adults to do.
Sustainable tourism Jobs for young House prices out of local people's reach
Too many fences being put up on common grazing land stopping access to beaches.
Transport (ferry and air) are key infrastructure requirements Argyll and Bute Council is under-funded and demoralised and responds to requests poorly The public toilets are not cleaned to the necessary standards

What actions could be taken to deal with these?

A space being made for the youth and young. And sorting the housing in whatever way can be possible. Lowering rentals and offering first time buyers or buyers to the island a helping hand in some way. Make the island more appealing for young families to help stop the de line kids and young families.
Allow tourism infrastructure Ban sales of empty property as holiday lets
Council to provide more flexible working opportunities on the Island. Government to provide Cal Mac with improved boats. Build affordable housing that local folk can buy. Attract higher quality teachers and provide housing for them.
Getting a football league up and running again would help
Make them remove them.
Put money into infrastructure on the island.

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