

# Taynuilt Responses 2019

**Priority Areas for Improvement:**

## 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

Tennille, Georgia



Thematic areas by lowest score to highest score

Thematic Area	Average Score
<a href="#">Public Transport</a>	3.4
<a href="#">Traffic and Parking</a>	3.5
<a href="#">Moving Around</a>	3.6
<a href="#">Work and Local Economy</a>	4.4
<a href="#">Housing and Community</a>	4.5
<a href="#">Influence and Sense of Control</a>	4.5
<a href="#">Care and Maintenance</a>	5
<a href="#">Social Contact</a>	5
<a href="#">Facilities and Amenities</a>	5.1
<a href="#">Play and Recreation</a>	5.2
<a href="#">Streets and Spaces</a>	5.2
<a href="#">Identity and Belonging</a>	5.5

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

<b>26 responses in total – Average Score of 3.6</b>							
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	6 responses	5 responses	4 responses	2 responses	4 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Need better off road cycling routes. Lots of countryside around - as an able bodied person I can access the countryside easily for walks.

Plenty of room for improvement. There should be a safe cycleway along the A85 to Oban, separated from the main road that is as flat as the main road. Both Oban and Taynuilt need proper walking paths to get from the centres up the hills. E.g. from Taynuilt to Inverawe and up Ben Cruachan. From Taynuilt a dry circuit around Airds Bay. From Oban up to Battleship Hill, Kerrera ferry via Pulpit Hill and from Kerrera ferry to the mast (via Gallanach).

Routes are good not always for elderly and or incapacitated

Route to school quite dangerous, especially when parked cars and trying to cross the road. Many people cycle on the pavement at the side on the main road (A85?) at the part of the road between the cemetery and Kilchrean there are lot of stones on the pavement which have come of the road

Single track roads with many potholes and steep inclines and declines are difficult, especially for older pedestrians and cyclists

Some nearby local villages such as Dunbeg, Benderloch, North Connel, Barcaldine, Appin have cycle tracks, Taynuilt however doesn't. The main road is exceptionally busy and puts me off cycling.

There are good trails for mountain biking and walking available locally but you can't cycle or walk

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

26 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
4 responses	7 responses	2 responses	5 responses	4 responses	3 responses	1 responses	0 responses

### Comments

A good train service. It would be useful to have a later train eg.11.00pm, so people could get back from Oban and therefore benefit from the facilities there.
Again this is a rural area based on myself I can manage walking quite some distance but many people here may not be able or even want to
Bus or rail services not as regular or often enough, and not late enough at night
Don't use it

in use are poor quality. The old and new trains are not clean I have mad





The main street is an absolute nightmare, especially at school drop off and coming out times.

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

26 responses in total – Average Score of 5.2							
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	1 responses	0 responses	3 responses	13 responses	8 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

A couple of years ago I would have answered yes to this question. However, the issue is the rising scourge of campervans - parking and creating human sewers. It should be mandatory for campervans and similar vehicles to use registered caravan parks. Secondly, it's great that we have facilities such as bottle banks but they are not emptied frequently enough. Spending money on features and routes is NOT a priority that would get my vote when critical investment is needed in health, education and the transport network. We live in a rural and farming community which has existed for centuries, let's not 'manage it/sanitise it - harder to enjoy the place in bad weather, that is a ridiculous question...what on earth are you trying to create!?

Attractive well maintained pavements & buildings, adequately signed.

Bottle recycling bins at the sports hub need emptying more often. Sometimes there is a sea of empty (e)10.7 (o)-3.3 (p)522 (m)-33 (ild)2. (em)avemeub (av)-5.6 (e)7.9 (m)-6.4 (e)-3 (n)2.3 (t)-3 (s)9

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

26 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	0 responses	1 responses	5 responses	3 responses	10 responses	7 responses	0 responses

### Comments

Forestry, loch side and hill walks in our area are spectacular. Sadly, these areas are frequently defaced by visitors who camp and leave litter, human excrement and broken glass behind. Perhaps the provision of litter bins or increased recycle points would minimise this. It is frustrating when you constantly have to pick up other people's litter.
Glen Nant trails are brilliant. The two piers in Taynuilt are handy and attractive. All of these accessible to greater or lesser extent.
Lots of natural space around, even in Oban
Natural spaces in the Taynuilt area are difficult to access for those with children, without a car, older/ frail people and those who are unwell as most of the natural areas require good health/ fitness to access up a hill, long walk distances etc. which cannot be accessed by public transport and would require a car or a lift to access.
Near to rural walks, lochs, local Munro, beautiful views
Problem with travellers and anti-social behaviour from campers at the 2 piers in Taynuilt.
Taynuilt is a very attractive village
The flower arrangements in Oban flower beds are good.
There are a couple of walks in and around the village and if you have a car there are several forest walks within a 5 min drive.
There are many natural places around, however as previously noted public transport is not great, walking limited and cycling difficult due to the A85. A car is therefore required to get around to these places. The loch side would be a natural place for people to go but mostly people drive there. There is no seating area and in summer especially now the numbers of camper vans make it less attractive for locals to use. I wouldn't think most of our natural areas are accessible by people with no car or with disabilities
There is plenty natural spaces in Taynuilt.
This is an absurd set of questions - typical central belt mentality. We live in a RURAL area
We have excellent walking areas past golf course and down to pier but could do with proper pathways & as mentioned before clearing scrub back to improve visibility

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

**26 responses in total – Average Score of 5.2**

Score of 1   Score of 2   Score of 3   Score of 4   Score of 5   Score of 6   Score of 7   No

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.

26 responses in total – Average Score of 5.1							
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	1 responses	5 responses	8 responses	8 responses	3 responses	0 responses

### Comments

Comparing this place with England, where I lived until 3 years ago, facilities, amenities and everything else I want except scenery and clean air, are all substandard and disappointing. Availability is poor, access is poor and information is poor.
Facilities are generally good for a rural area.
GP surgery, primary school, post office, village store, local pub.
I think the facilities for a Village are pretty good
Our closest fully manned A&E department is approximately 98 miles away.
Public toilet in village needs modernised badly
Recycling facilities could be improved.
Taynuilt has all it can offer health centre, 2 churches a primary school
Taynuilt has sufficient shops, tea room, hairdressers, GP surgery, Village Hall , primary school, Hotel with bar and restaurant.
Taynuilt is not bad. But always room for improvement.
The surgery is often closed or does not have a doctor on duty. The school could do with lots of work. It is rather embarrassing when I tell my child that many of the features of the school have not changed since I was there. Simple things like a lick of paint, repairing damage and what not.
We have a good range of shops including an excellent general store and we have a Medical practice in the village centre. There is a small cafe open 4 days a week and now the hotel has reopened it provides eating and drinking 7 days a week. Facilities are all in the main street so easy to access for some but not others. It seems people who join either the church or the golf club have an easier way to meet friends but others, especially those who move to the village as older adults don't have an easy way to meet people and make friends.
We need more opportunities for fitness sessions indoors.

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

<b>26 responses in total – Average Score of 4.4</b>							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response

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## Q9. Housing and Community:



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

26 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
1 responses	1 responses	1 responses	6 responses	4 responses	11 responses	2 responses	0 responses

#### Comments

Again for a village I would say there is a better than average opportunity to meet people, golf, football, shinty, rugby, gaelic choir, highland games, church and hotel.

Anybody who's willing to make the effort can meet other people and participate in community events - except where disability (including, for instance, old people driving in the dark) precludes this.

As previously noted, there are spaces-village hall, church, sports pavilion, golf club where people can get together but mostly, though not exclusively for members. Generally I find people don't

Q11.

Q12. Feeling Safe: Do I feel safe here?

**26 responses in total – Average Score of 5.9**

Score of 1   Score of 2   Score of 3

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

26 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
2 responses	0 responses	1 responses	2 responses	11 responses	8 responses	2 responses	0 responses

### Comments

All excellent
As a community we carry out annual litter picks in the village which helps to keep it in good condition. Recycling facilities are worse than in other local authority areas i.e. having to go to a collection point with glass bottles. Glass recycling bins need more frequent emptying.
Dog fouling and camper van human's fouling are increasing problems. Recycling and refuse storage and collection needs to be improved.
Dog mess is a problem, locals have attempted putting up signs which have only lasted temporarily. Litter is a huge problem along the A85 all the way between Taynuilt and Connel which has been cleaned by a private individual each year at risk to their own safety. The recycling area next to the Sports Pavillion is not adequate as every week hundreds of glass bottles are sitting on the car park. Broken glass is frequently found in the play park/ Sports Pavillion areas of Taynuilt. The local Taynuilt Community Council keep the areas well maintained. There is effective local residents association which is improving each year.
Emptying the bottle bank on a more regular basis would be better
Glass recycling is often over flowing. Dog mess can be an issue, maybe more bin would help
In general buildings, streets, green areas well kept
Roads need to be continually maintained. Litter at shore from campers.
Taynuilt looks good. Oban town centre has grubby and vacant aspects. I don't know anywhere else except Kilchrenan which now the pub has reopened looks fine. The church and churchyard are kept pretty and add to the impression of a perfect old-fashioned hamlet.
The children's play park and the sports field are well maintained as are the majority of the buildings. There is a litter problem at the pier due to visitors and also due to the lack of toilets at that site( apart from a single toilet in the main street which the council struggle to keep open) The community council do try to take action but seem to be powerless on the issues of the pier. There are litter problems in other areas such as the verges on the A85 when motorists throw stuff out of cars and also the area between the village hall and the Nant bridge where lots of rubbish (cans, crisp packets, bottles etc.) is thrown into what is a rather unloved space.
The local Cemetery is a disgrace.
The provision of public toilets has been badly depleted. Some remote villages maintain theirs. But the towns have very few public toilets. Supermarkets have toilets but with very few facilities, which are often out of order. This is hardly the best way to encourage visitors
Village is blooming again on Main Street great idea to put sit down area and benches inspired thinking whoever it was

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

**26 responses in total – Average Score of 4.5**

Score of 1   Score of 2   Score of 3   Score of 4   Score of 5   Score of 6

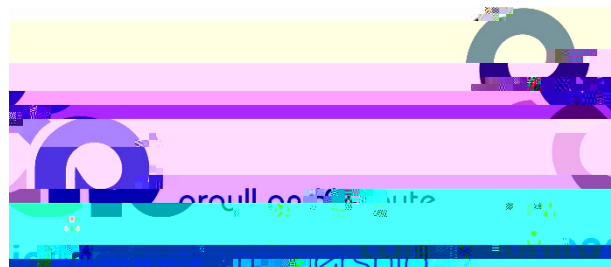
What are the main issues and priorities for change that you have identified?

1. Communications (electronic; travel; work ethic) are deeply substandard. 2. Health services are diabolical - so poor physical and mental health defeat enterprise, enthusiasm and effectiveness. 3. Backwardness of region (attractive to old people such as I who long for "good old days") is a



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