

# Birnam to Ballinluig A9 Community Group

## FINAL Community Objectives for input to Co-Creative Process - December 2017

<b>HEALTH, NOISE AND WELL-BEING</b> <b>Reduce noise and pollution</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
<p>Reduce current levels of noise and pollution in the villages of Dunkeld, Birnam and Inver to protect human health and well-being of residents and visitors and to enable them to peacefully enjoy their properties and amenity spaces.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New carriageways and associated filter lanes should not be closer than the existing road to existing residential properties to protect health of residents.</li> <li>• While the road design should seek to avoid the need for noise mitigation measures, where they are required, they should be effective, sympathetic to the local environment, and attractive.</li> </ul>
<b>LANDSCAPE AND ENVIRONMENT</b> <b>Protect and enhance the distinctive landscape and natural heritage of the area.</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
<p>Protect and enhance the scenic beauty and natural heritage of the area and its distinctive character and quality.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World-class environmental standards are applied to design and construction to reflect the environmental sensitivity of the area.</li> <li>• Size and scale of junctions do not impair distinctive views including designated landscapes.</li> <li>• Wildlife corridors are maintained and improved by providing green bridges and/or tunnels.</li> <li>• Losses of ancient trees and woodlands are minimised.</li> <li>• Wildlife and habitats are protected and enhanced.</li> </ul>
<b>SAFETY</b> <b>Provide safe access to and from the A9 and improve safety on village roads.</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
<p>Provide better, safer access on and off the A9 from both sides of the road while ensuring easy, safe movement of vehicular traffic and non-motorised users through the villages, helping to reduce stress and anxiety and support the local economy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe access to villages and train station at road junctions.</li> <li>• Improved pedestrian access to the train station.</li> <li>• Access to the train station and train services for disabled users.</li> <li>• Safer traffic management through the villages including pavements, streets and junctions.</li> <li>• The Telford Bridge is safer for all users.</li> <li>• Traffic in the villages is not accelerated or negative impacts from traffic flows created because of new junction designs to and from the A9.</li> <li>• Preferred routes for HGV's (where applicable) are designated and enforced.</li> </ul>

<b>LOCAL ECONOMY</b> <b>Promote sustainable local economic growth</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
Promote long term and sustainable economic growth within Dunkeld and Birnam and the surrounding communities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Path networks, cycle routes, and distinctive landscape views are protected and enhanced as a valuable resource for visitors and residents.</li> <li>• Safe access to and from important local visitor attractions, including historic and cultural sites such as the Hermitage.</li> <li>• Speed limits and signage are used to promote Dunkeld and Birnam as an attractive visitor destination.</li> <li>• Junction designs are appropriate for a rural location with environmental and historic sensitivities.</li> </ul>
<b>ACTIVE TRAVEL AND RECREATION</b> <b>Improve provision for cycling and walking.</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
Examine and identify opportunities to enhance the levels of cycling and walking for transport and leisure, including the improvement of existing footpaths and cycle ways, to promote positive mental health and well-being.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The national cycle route from the Pass of Birnam to the Tay Crossing (and beyond to Ballinluig) is a segregated cycle path with a safe crossing to the Dalguise road.</li> <li>• There is high quality access (safe, attractive and efficient) for non-car users of all ages (pedestrians, cyclists, horse-riders) to local path networks, visitor attractions and the train station.</li> </ul>
<b>PUBLIC TRANSPORT</b> <b>Bus services and train services are maintained and improved</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
Ensure that all local bus, intercity bus services and train services are maintained and improved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The station is developed as a transport hub (linking public transport services, park and ride, electric vehicle charging points).</li> <li>• Access to public transport is inclusive to all ages and abilities.</li> <li>• Opportunities to enhance bus and train services identified and delivered.</li> </ul>
<b>HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT</b> <b>Preserve and enhance historic and cultural features</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Specific application</b>
Preserve and enhance the integrity of the unique and rich historical and cultural features of the Dunkeld, Birnam and Inver communities, thereby supporting well-being and the local economy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All listed buildings and scheduled sites are protected.</li> <li>• There is a direct connection between the village and the railway station.</li> <li>• The listed railway station building is preserved and developed by bringing it into community use.</li> </ul>