

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Environment Committee – 22 August 2012

CORE PATHS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Report by Depute Director (Environment)

This report outlines the work which requires to be carried out to implement the approved Perth & Kinross Core Paths Plan and recommends the approval of the Core Paths Implementation Plan for the period 2012/13-2016/17.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 The Committee is asked to:

- i) Agree the Perth & Kinross Core Paths Implementation Plan for the implementation of the Core Paths Network during the period 2012/13-2016/17 (Appendix 2).

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Part 1 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 placed a duty on local authorities “to draw up a plan for a system of paths (“core paths”) sufficient for the purpose of giving the public reasonable access throughout their area”.
- 2.2 The Perth & Kinross Core Paths Plan, following consultation, was adopted on 25 January 2012 (Report Reference 12/40). Further details about the Plan, including maps showing the core paths, are now available on the Council website [www.pkc.gov.uk/corepaths].
- 2.3 Guidance[www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/36496/0014290.pdf] published by the Scottish Government in 2005 suggests that local authorities should sign and waymark their core paths and that, in general, core paths should provide unimpeded access. The core paths network as a whole should provide for disabled people, horseriders, cyclists and walkers, although it is recognised within the Act and the Guidance that not every path will be suitable for all users. Perth and Kinross core paths range from trodden paths over rough ground to constructed paths made suitable for all users.
- 2.4 There are already several well established promoted Path Networks serving communities such as Pitlochry, Dunkeld & Birnam and Crieff. The Guidance makes clear that new routes, as well as existing ones, may be included in the Plan and suggests that new routes should be made available reasonably soon (within 1-2 years of adoption).
- 2.5 Although most of the paths are in place, missing links, barriers and a lack of waymarking undermine their effectiveness as a functional network. It is estimated that 25% of the path network is waymarked and fit for purpose, 45% of the network requires only waymarking, 20% requires minor work and

10% requires more major work to make it fit for purpose. The 2003 Act provided limited powers to the Council to manage, improve and promote core paths. These powers are summarised at Appendix 1. Now that the Core Paths Plan has been adopted, the Council is in a position to waymark core paths and undertake works to maintain and keep them open. Subject to landowner agreement (formal or informal), more major works may be undertaken to improve core paths. Powers also exist allowing local authorities to acquire land by compulsory purchase to facilitate public access and to make Path Orders to create and maintain paths - however these are regarded as powers of last resort.

- 2.6 The implementation of the Plan is not merely a Council initiative. It requires positive engagement by landowners and land managers, Community Councils, and other voluntary groups and individuals. Some areas have well established Path Groups such as The Rural Access Committee of Kinross-shire (TRACKS) which has a Project Officer in post and has played a lead role in funding, developing and promoting the local Path Network. The Council will continue to encourage similar Groups where appropriate, to maximise the community's involvement in developing local Path Networks.
- 2.7 It is hoped that, with support from the Council, communities can also play a much greater role in maintaining and promoting core paths and help to keep them open. For example, this would include undertaking maintenance tasks and promoting their local paths.
- 2.8 The Perth and Kinross Access Forum played a useful advisory role throughout the preparation and adoption of the Core Paths Plan and have been consulted regarding this Implementation Plan.

3. PROPOSALS

- 3.1 The Core Paths Plan as a whole comprises some 2045km of paths which would require significant capital investment to fully implement. This will require a long term commitment, a phased and prioritised programme, and a multi-agency approach to funding which has been very much the approach taken to date. The first phase will utilise resources of £403,000 already approved within the Council's Capital Plan up to 2016/17. This has been prioritised in line with the objectives of the Core Paths Implementation Plan which are:

- To facilitate responsible access through implementation of the Core Paths Plan during the period 2012/13-2016/17 and to maximise the return on investment (in terms of economic, environmental and health outcomes) across Perth & Kinross,
- Increase the percentage of households within 500m of a waymarked core path from 63% (March 2012) to 80%, and the overall length of waymarked paths from 700km to 1000km by waymarking an additional 300km of core paths, by March 2017,
- Work with the Perth and Kinross Countryside Trust and other partners to improve an additional 50km (10 km per year) of core paths for multi-use i.e. disabled people, horse riders, cyclists and walkers,

- Continue to maintain the core paths which are within Perth & Kinross ownership or control and work with others to facilitate the effective management of core paths over other land,
- Promote good practice in waymarking, promotion and path improvement to ensure consistent high standards.

3.2 To deliver these objectives the proposed Implementation Plan directs available resources over the 5 year timeframe where there is:

- **Deliverability.** The Council has powers under the 2003 Act to undertake waymarking and minor works to maintain core paths and keep them open without the agreement of landowners, as explained in Appendix 1. These works can be done at modest cost. Major path improvements or the building of new ones take more time to prepare and to agree with landowners. Furthermore they may require support from other Services within the Council such as Estates and in particular Legal Services. As such, projects which could be categorised as minor works have been favoured over those which constitute major works.
- **Equity.** The Plan identifies projects across all the wards in Perth & Kinross, with preference given to those areas which do not have an established and promoted path network, and have not been the focus of path works and promotion over recent years. Furthermore it is considered important to maintain the momentum established within communities during the preparation of the Core Paths Plan. This will only be possible if people can see progress in their own areas.
- **Opportunities.** During the lifetime of the Plan, opportunities arising from other plans and projects will appear. Where possible, this is reflected in the Plan, e.g. in relation to path improvements in the two Landscape Partnership areas, where significant match funding may become available. Other sources of funding, including developer contributions, exist and where funding from a particular source may reasonably be expected are also noted in the Plan.
- **Priorities identified by Planning Reporters.** In the Inquiry Report on the Perth & Kinross Core Paths Plan (referred to in Report 12/40) the Planning Reporters identified a number of projects which they considered should be prioritised. Where possible these have been included within the Plan.

3.3 The proposed Core Paths Implementation Plan is based on these criteria shown in Appendix 2. If approved, a detailed programme will be drawn up for each Core Path to ensure actions and activities are clearly allocated and co-ordinated. This will closely link to financial monitoring so that expenditure and income targets are achieved. This will be particularly important on some of the more complex projects involving a number of agencies and landowners, as longer lead in times will be required to get proposals and agreements in place.

- 3.4 Community engagement and involvement will also be critical to the success of the Plan. It is proposed that the Council will work closely with communities at different levels to realise the plan. It is intended that a voluntary network be established and supported by Community Greenspace during the early years of this Plan. Further investigation with regard to issues such as insurance for volunteers and best use of technology to facilitate efficient communication between the Council and volunteers will be required.
- 3.5 A key issue during the lifetime of the Core Paths Implementation Plan relates to Development Management and the Proposed Local Development Plan. Policy (CF2: Public Access) is included within the Proposed Local Development Plan and a number of site opportunities and constraints are identified within that Plan. Where appropriate, the need for developer contributions for the development of core paths locally is also included.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 The Head of Legal Services, the Head of Democratic Services and the Head of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.
- 4.2 The Perth and Kinross Countryside Trust has been consulted in the preparation of this report and on the Implementation Plan. The current Service Level Agreement 2012/13 includes specific reference to path networks where it is stated that “the Trust will provide 10km of new or substantially upgraded and signposted paths. In addition the Trust will assist the Council in implementing the Core Paths Plan on receipt of specific project briefs”. It is important to note that the 10km target is not restricted to core paths and the Trust must fulfil its obligations to communities and other partners, in the selection of paths it wishes to upgrade.
- 4.3 The Perth and Kinross Access Forum have been consulted regarding this Implementation Plan and they are broadly in favour of the plan.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Capital

- 5.1.1 Resources of £403,000 to implement the first phase of the Core Paths Plan have been approved within the Capital Plan 2012/13-2016/17. In terms of the proposed works the focus has been placed on waymarking and relatively minor works which can be undertaken under Council powers. A limited number of more challenging projects have been included but they are mostly scheduled towards the end of the Plan period.

Projects (all wards, all years)	Number	% projects	PKC spend
Waymarking Only	22	27%	£31,000
Minor works and signage (includes waymarking)	47	59%	£231,000
New paths/major works (includes waymarking)	11	14%	£141,000
Totals	80	100%	£403,000

5.1.2 Significant external funding has historically been secured towards path works in Perth and Kinross as recorded on the Scottish Government Website <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Environment/Countryside/16328/AccessAuthorities> .

5.1.3 Appendix 2 details the proposed projects showing an estimated cost of £1.129m subject to the securing of external funding. The Council's approved commitment of £403,000 through the Capital budget will require a further £726,000 of external funding to resource the whole programme of which £93,000 has been secured to date.

5.1.4 Further Outline Business Cases will be submitted as part of future Capital Budget processes to support the phased development of the Core Paths Plan after 2017.

5.2 Revenue

5.2.1 The Core Paths Implementation Plan requires the use of resources (mostly staff time) from within Community Greenspace, Estates and Infrastructure, and Legal Services. It is anticipated that this can be met within existing resources although progress will be dependent on competing priorities.

5.2.2 Within the resources currently available, the Council is unable to fully maintain all core paths outwith its ownership or direct control. As such a greater role for communities, supported by the Council, has been identified in the management of the core paths network. Management arrangements for such paths will be developed by Community Greenspace Officers.

6. **COUNCIL CORPORATE PLAN OBJECTIVES 2009-2012**

6.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2009-2012 lays out five objectives which provide clear strategic direction, inform decisions at a corporate and service level and shape resources allocation.

6.2 The recommendations within this report support the delivery of the following objectives within the Council's Corporate Plan 2009-2012:

- (i) A Safe, Secure and Welcoming Environment
- (ii) Healthy, Caring Communities
- (iii) A Prosperous, Sustainable and Inclusive Economy
- (iv) Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens
- (v) Confident, Active and Inclusive Communities

7. EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EqIA)

- 7.1 An equalities impact assessment needs to be carried out for functions, policies, procedures or strategies in relation to race, gender and disability and other relevant protected characteristics. This supports the Council's legal requirement to comply with the duty to assess and consult on relevant new and existing policies.
- 7.2 The function, policy, procedure or strategy presented in this report was considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) with the following outcomes:
- i) Assessed as **relevant** and the following positive outcomes expected following implementation: The Core Paths Plan will be publically available to all using maps to illustrate core paths; obstructions will be removed from core paths where it is judged that these impede access; improvements to and waymarking of core paths will make them more accessible to all users, it is proposed that photographic descriptions of selected paths can be publicised in future which will allow path users to choose paths suitable for their own ability.

8. STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is a legal requirement under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that applies to all qualifying plans, programmes and strategies, including policies (PPS).
- 8.2 The matters presented in this report were considered under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the determination was made that there were likely to be significant environmental effects and as a consequence an environmental assessment was necessary. The Environmental Report was completed to accompany the Draft Core Paths Plan and can be viewed online at www.pkc.gov.uk. It will now be reviewed and a Post Adoption Statement published in due course.

9. CONCLUSION

- 9.1 Core paths will make a valued contribution to the health and well being of our communities and the economic success of Perth and Kinross. They will encourage low carbon access to much wider areas of the exceptional landscapes and countryside of the area for local people and visitors alike. The proposed Core Paths Implementation Plan sets out a prioritised programme for developing the first phase of the network during the period 2012/13-2016/17. It balances a range of projects from relatively straight forward signage works to more significant high profile long distance routes.

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NOTE

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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Council Powers in relation to Core Path Implementation

As noted in the report, the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 Act provides the Council with powers in relation to core paths. These are summarised below.

Section 14 applies to all access land, including core paths and states that landowners shall not, for the purpose or main purpose of preventing or deterring access, put up prohibition signs, obstructions or dangerous impediments. Where the Council consider anything has been done in contravention of this, it may, after serving notice, require remedial action to be taken, failing that, undertake the remedial action itself and recover the costs. Where the owner disputes the notice, they can appeal against it. In practice this has proved to be a cumbersome power. Limited use has been made of it by Perth & Kinross Council or by other access authorities. In certain circumstances, e.g. where there is a clear breach, it may be the most expedient approach to remove obstructions along core paths or other routes.

Section 15 also applies to all access land, including core paths and provides that the Council may take appropriate steps in the interests of public safety, protection, guidance and assistance. As above, the Council may serve notice on landowners to require that remedial action is taken, failing that, undertake the remedial action itself and recover the costs. Usefully, this section provides that the Council can undertake a wide range of works on private land with the consent of the owner, and certain limited works without consent. Whilst the Council has not relied directly on section 15 to date, it would appear to be a useful general power in relation to the implementation of the Core Paths Plan, particularly where works proposed by the Council are agreeable to the owner.

Section 16 provides a power whereby the Council may acquire land to facilitate public access. This may be by lease or purchase, by agreement or, with the consent of Scottish Ministers, compulsorily. It is considered that in normal circumstances the Council would not wish to acquire land for this purpose, but this section provides the power to do so if necessary. It should be noted that compulsory purchase should be seen as a power of last resort.

Section 19 gives the Council additional powers to maintain core paths, keep them open and free from obstruction/encroachment, and provide directions to them. This would appear to be the key power to enable the Council to waymark core paths and undertake relatively minor works on private land. Whilst the Council will continue to consult on such matters, this section will enable it to proceed, within reason, where the owner will not agree. Other access authorities are now undertaking works under this power on a regular basis.

Section 21 concerns Path Agreements and a model agreement is provided in the Guidance referred to in the report. Such agreements would appear to be appropriate where the proposed works go beyond what might be expected under the terms of section 15 or 19 above, and/or where the Council or the owner requires the security of a formal agreement. The Council now has some experience of making and concluding such agreements which will continue to play a part in the implementation of the Core Paths Plan. Where section 21 Path Agreements are required, guidance will be sought from Estates and Infrastructure and Legal Services. Experience suggests that the conclusion of Path Agreements is time-consuming and expensive. It is considered that, where less formal agreements, reached under the terms of section 15, are appropriate, section 21 Path Agreements need not be embarked upon.

Section 22 concerns Path Orders. Schedule 1 of the 2003 Act outlines the process to be followed and Regulations made in 2007 prescribe the form of such orders. The Act and the Guidance make clear that this is a power of last resort when all other avenues have been explored and exhausted. One such order, made by the Cairngorms National Park, has been concluded to date. From initial route investigation to the confirmation of the Path Order took eight years. Though it may be expected that future Path Orders will not take as long, projects considered likely to require one have been scheduled towards the end of the lifetime of the Plan. It should also be noted that the Path Order process will require significant input from Legal Services.

Section 23 relates to the ploughing etc. of core paths and rights of way. It provides a power whereby the Council can require a landowner who has ploughed up (or otherwise disturbed the surface) of such a path to reinstate it in a timely manner. This power may be required to keep core paths open or to protect investment if path improvements carried out by the Council are jeopardised through land management operations.

Section 26 provides that any person authorised by the Council may enter land to undertake Access Authority functions. Whilst prior notice is not required in relation to core paths, the normal practice, in relation to any physical works on the ground, would remain that such notice would be given except in an emergency.

Path in Ward Area	Path Code & Map Page (CPP)	Works needed (under relevant power)	Who with?	PKC project expenditure in thousands by financial year						External funding secured to date	Total Cost Estimate	Justification
HIGHLAND				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17				
Kinloch Rannoch Paths	(17) RANN/100 RAN/107 etc.	Signage, promotion & repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, landowners & PKCT (5k)	10							15	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Kinloch Rannoch has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- External funding through PKCT & active community able to contribute & add value to project
Griffin	DUNK/111 (30)	Path creation (s.21) by agreement. SSE funded & linked to development	Landowners & PKCT. Input from Legal Services & Estates with s.21 agreement	30						30 (SSE)	30	Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken by agreement. Opportunity- External funding secured to fully fund the project
Pitlochry Sainsbury	PLRY/55 (20)	Path creation (s.21) by agreement. Linked to development proposals	Landowners & PKCT. Input from Legal Services & Estates with s.21 agreement		30					15 (Sainsbury)	30	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken by agreement. Opportunity- External funding secured to part fund the project. These proposals will link up new development & town centre
Tummel Bridge & Loch Errochty	(9)	Signage (s.19)	Community & landowners (Forestry Commission)			1					1	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Blair Atholl paths	(10 & 11)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			1					1	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- These proposals will link settlements & will have significant impact against objectives
Bridge of Gaur loops	(15)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			1					1	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Glen Lyon	(16)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			1					1	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Highland Total				40	30	4	0	0	0	45	79	

NB. The table above excludes proposals linked to development proposals at Kenmore & Ballinluig & path works initiated by the Calliachar windfarm developer nr Aberfeldy. These works are not funded by PKC.

Path in Ward Area	Path Code & Map Page (CPP)	Works needed (under relevant power)	Who with?	PKC project expenditure in thousands by financial year						External funding secured to date	Total Cost Estimate	Justification
STRATHTAY				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17				
Dalguise - Craigvinnean	(25)	Signage (s.19)	Landowner (Forestry Commission)			1						1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Spittalfield Paths	(32)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			3						3 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers . Equity- Spittalfield has a relatively good path network & clear waymarking will make it more accessible for all
Murthly & Bankfoot paths	(39)	Signage (s.19) & path improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, landowners, PKCT	5		8						13 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement. Equity- Murthly & Bankfoot has a relatively good path network & clear waymarking will make it more accessible for all
Stanley - Ballathie old railway	STAN/115 (40)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners, PKCT and Stanley Development Trust	10								10 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. &/or by agreement. Equity- These proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Luncarty paths	(43)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			1						1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- Luncarty has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Hill via Craiglea Quarry	METH/130 DUNK/155 (37)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community				1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Little Glenshee loop	AGVN/100 AGVN/121(38)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community				1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Strathtay Total				15	0	13	2	0			30	

NB. The table above excludes proposals linked to development proposals at Gowrie Quarry between Stanley & Luncarty and any pathworks associated with the Cross Tay Road Link & dualling of the A9 north of Luncarty.

Path in Ward Area	Path Code & Map Page (CPP)	Works needed (under relevant power)	Who with?	PKC project expenditure in thousands by financial year						External funding secured to date	Total Cost Estimate	Justification
STRATHEARN				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17				
River Earn Path	(56)		Landowners & community	1								1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Opportunity- External funding secured to fully fund the project
River Earn Path: Stuart Crystal path Crieff section Strageath	(56) MUTH/100 CRIF/7 MUTH/101	Path improvement (s.15) by agreement. SSE (Beaully Denny) funded	PKCT & landowner	30	18					48 (SSE)	48	48 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Opportunity- External funding secured to fully fund the project
Comrie – Crieff old railway line	CMRI/126 (47)	Path improvement (s.21) by agreement or otherwise (s.16, s.22 etc)	PKCT, SUSTRANS, community & other partners tbc. Legal Services & Estates input re. formal powers					30			250	250 Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement or other powers. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works which will have a significant impact against objectives (including economic development & health). Active community able to contribute & add value to project. The opening up of CMRI/126 identified as a priority by Reporters
Callum's Hill	ESTN/9 (48)	Path improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners & PKCT			2						2 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Opportunity- To work with activity provider to contribute & add value to project
Puddock Wood	ESTN/7 & ESTN/100 (48)	Path improvements on PKC land or under (s.15) by	Landowners & PKCT			2						2 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken largely on PKC land will have significant impact against objectives
Fordie paths	(47)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & PKCT				1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Loch Turret & Monzie	(37/48)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community				1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has few paths & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
St Fillans paths	(46/7)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners, community & PKCT				2					2 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works which will have a significant impact against objectives. Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Strathearn Total				31	18	4	4	30	48	307		

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BLAIRGOWRIE & THE GLENS				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17			
Stormont Loch & the Cleaven Dyke	(33)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners, community, PKCT & Historic Scotland re SAM				3				3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to contribute to these works
Lornly link to A93 (old Military Rd)	(27) MTBL/115	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners, community & PKCT				3				3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to contribute to these works
Kirkmichael - Lair	(13) MTBL/8	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	PKCT				1				3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to contribute to these works
Kindrogan Paths	(12)	Signage (s.19)	Landowner (Forestry Commission)			1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Starthardle & Cochrage Moor	MTBL/3 (26)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Blairgowrie Total				0	0	2	7	0			11

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STRATHMORE				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17				
Blair - Alyth	(27)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community		1							1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers . Equity- This route connecting settlements will have significant impact against objectives
Ardler/Meikle	(34)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community				1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers . Equity- This route connecting settlements will have significant impact against objectives
Burrelton	BURR/199 (40)	Signage (s.19) & path improvements (s.15 or s.21) by agreement	Community, landowner, PKCT. Input from Legal Services & Estates with s.21 agreement if reqd.					2			10	10 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. BURR/199 is the riverside path & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to contribute to these works
Burrelton signs	(40)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community	3								3 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- Burrelton has a relatively good path network & clear waymarking will make it more accessible for all. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Coupar Angus Paths	(41)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners, CART & PKCT		5						10	10 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have a significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works. Active community
Kettins	(41)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	CART, landowners			1					3	3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to contribute to these works
Sidlaws paths Gask Hill, Northballo & Tullybaccart	(41)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	CART, Forestry Commission & estate				5				20	20 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Guildtown paths	(43)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community		1						1	1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- Guildtown has a relatively good path network & clear waymarking will make it more accessible for all. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Newmiln path	BURR/107 (43)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15 or s.21) by agreement	Landowners & community. Input from Legal Services & Estates with s.21 agreement if				3				3	3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. BURR/107 identified as a priority by Reporters
Kinnoull & Gannochy paths	(51)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	PKCT (3k) and Gannochy Trust (13k)		10						26	26 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- The paths are heavily used & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Significant external funding has been made available to support these works
Balbeggie paths	(44)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, landowners, PKCT			2					2	2 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- Balbeggie has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Strathmore Total				3	17	3	9	2			80	

NB. The table above excludes pathways along the riverside path between Cambusmichael & Stormontfield (BURR/115) 2012-13 initiated by the land manager & supported by PKCT & the Quality of Life Trust. It also excludes pathways linked to development proposals north of Scone linked to development proposals.

Path in Ward Area	Path Code & Map Pg (CPP)	Works needed (under relevant power)	Who with?	PKC project expenditure in thousands by financial year					External funding secured to date	Total Cost Estimate	Justification
ALMOND & EARN				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17			
Graves route Mansfield/Dalcrue	(42)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community				1				1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Methven paths	(49 & 50)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, landowners, PKCT			3					3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- Methven has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Almondbank, Bertha Park & Pitcairngreen	(50)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Linked to development proposals				2				25 Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement. Equity- This area is subject to development & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Significant developer contributions should become available to support these works
Old A9 Aberuthven - Upper Cairnie	AUCH/106, DNNG/118-9, METH/162, EARN118 (57)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, Landowners, PKCT					5			75 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these paths will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Forgandenny paths	EARN/12, 14, 15, 121, 131 etc.	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, Landowners, PKCT				3				20 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Forgandenny has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Bridge of Earn (rural)	(58)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			1					1 Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives
Bridge of Earn to Abernethy	EARN/153 etc. (59)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements, including new bridge, (s.15 or s.21) by agreement	PKCT, landowners & community. Input from Legal Services & Estates with s.21 agreement if reqd.			20					75 Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers&/or by agreement. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works e.g. through Tay Landscape Partnership Project
Ayton Hill & Castle Law	ABNY/105 (59)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, landowners, PKCT				3				20 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works e.g. through Tay Landscape Partnership Project & Ayton Hill woodland management plan
Pitmedden forest links	(59)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Community, landowners, PKCT. Linked to development proposals				3				10 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Abernethy continues to expand & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works e.g. through Tay Landscape Partnership Project & developer contributions
Almond & Earn Total				0	0	24	12	5		230	

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CARSE OF GOWRIE				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17			
Sidlaws paths Culfargie Pitmiddle & Kinnaird	(44)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements, including new path link, (s.15 or s.21) by agreement	Landowners & PKCT					10		25	Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreements. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works. ITUR/126 & ITUL/142 were identified as priorities by the Planning Reporters
West Carse paths	(51)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	PKCT				5			10	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works e.g. through Tay Landscape Partnership Project
Inchture & Longforgan	(45)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community			2				2	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works e.g. through Tay Landscape Partnership Project
Carse Total				0	0	2	5	10		37	

NB. The table above excludes pathworks at Errol (EROL/3 & EROL/103) 2012-13 initiated by the land manager & supported by PKCT. These works are not funded by PKC

Path in Ward Area	Path Code & (CPP page)	Works Needed under relevant power	Who with ?	PKC project expenditure in thousands by financial year						External funding secured to date	Total Cost Estimate	Justification
PERTH (ALL WARDS)				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17				
Viewlands Park Perth	CTYS/11 (50)	Improvements & signage (PKC land)	SUSTRANS (25k through community links fund tbc)		10							35 Deliverability- Improvements on PKC land. Equity- Well used route in urban location & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Broxden & Mailer Hill paths	(50)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15) by agreement	Landowners, PKCT & community				10					25 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Well used routes at edge of city & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Significant developer contributions may become available to support these works
Perth Total				0	10	0	10	0			60	

NB/ The table excludes pathways associated with the A9/A85 Junction at the western edge of Perth affecting core paths TULL/1 & TULL/51 & the Perth Town Lade right of way.

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STRATHALLAN				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17				
Muthill paths	(56)	Signage & Path repairs (s.19) & improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement)	Community, landowners & PKCT	3		5						8 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Muthill has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Aberuthven	(57)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement)	Community, landowners & PKCT. Input from Estates & Legal Services if s.21 reqd.				10					10 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Aberuthven has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. AUCH/130 identified as a priority by Reporters
Dunning	(57)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	Community, landowners & PKCT			12						12 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Dunning has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Braco paths	(60)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	Community & landowners	3								3 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Braco has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Netherton & Longfauld links	BLFD/116-118 (61)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement). Linked to development proposals	Community, landowners & PKCT. Input from Estates & Legal Services if s.21 reqd.					3				25 Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement. Gaps in network frustrate access west of Blackford. Improvements will address this subject to securing landowner agreement . Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Auchterarder North	(61)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement). Linked to development proposals (Auchterarder Masterplan)	Community, landowners & developers. Input from Estates & Legal Services if s.21 reqd.				5					25 Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Auchterarder continues to expand & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- Significant developer contributions should become available to support this & the active community able will be able to contribute & add value to project
Cloan, Corb Glen & the Cagder's Yett	(62)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 by agreement)	PKCT, community, landowners & funding partners				5					20 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works
Knowehead, Rashie Hill & Clow Hill etc.	(63)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	PKCT, landowners & community					6				10 Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works. DNNG/150 (now FSWY/182/3) identified as a priority by Reporters
Strathallan Total				6	0	17	20	9			113	

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KINROSS-SHIRE				12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17			
Glenfarg paths	(64)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	Landowners & community			2				10	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- Glenfarg has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Glendevon paths	(66)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	Landowners (inc. Woodland Trust), PKCT & community					10		25	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works (e.g. through woodland management plans), which will have significant impact against objectives.
Cambo & the Butter Rd	(67)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement)	Landowners, PKCT & community. Input from Estates & Legal Services if s.21 reqd.				3			3	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- Cambo has few paths & has not been the focus of recent works.
Tillyrie	MTH-T/153 (67)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	Landowner. Linked to development proposals		2					5	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This path provides for growing settlements at Tillyrie & Athron Hill & will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in developer contributions to support these works
Lomond Hills	(68)	Signage & path repairs (s.19) improvements (s.15 by agreement)	Landowners & community. Links to Lomond Hills Landscape Partnership			5				25	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers. Agreements, where required, relatively straightforward. Equity- This area has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- to lever in external funding through Lomond Hills Landscape Partnership
Blairingone & Lambhill Wood	(69)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners (inc. Forestry Commission) & community				1			1	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers &/or by agreement undertaken under Council powers. Equity- Blairingone has not been the focus of recent works & these proposals will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To add value to Forestry Commission new woodland at this location
Crook of Devon signs	(69)	Signage (s.19)	Landowners & community	3						3	Deliverability- Straightforward improvements undertaken under Council powers. Equity- Crook of Devon has a relatively good path network & clear waymarking will make it more accessible for all. Opportunity- Active community able to contribute & add value to project
Crook to Kinross railway path	(70)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement)	Landowners, PKCT & community. Input from Estates & Legal Services if s.21 reqd.					10		100	Deliverability- Major improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- This route connecting settlements will have significant impact against objectives. Opportunity- To lever in external funding to support these works
Cleish Paths	(70)	Signage & path repairs (s.19), improvements (s.15 or s.21 by agreement)	Landowners (inc. Forestry Commission) & community				3			10	Deliverability- Improvements undertaken under Council powers and/or by agreement. Equity- Cleish is poorly connected in to the path network & not been the focus of recent works. Opportunity- to lever in external funding to support these works
Kinross-shire Total				3	2	7	7	20		182	
APPROVED & PROVISIONAL CAPITAL TOTAL 2012/13-2016-17 (ALL WARDS)				98	77	76	76	76	93	1129	

NB. A further 10k of external funding has still to be secured against the capital budget above.