

Campsie / Touch Hills Workshop – 27th January 2005

Feedback from delegates

What did you think of the Workshop?

- Very good, informative, engaging
- Excellent, stimulating
- Informative – good for groups to be working together
- Very useful networking session – good to meet up with other groups
- Very informative – opened eyes to what's going on
- Recognised almost inevitable outcome – more meetings! Well organised – thank you
- Workshop was good but it would have been good to have list of delegates beforehand. It would have been good to have members of the council highlight recreation / economic/ environment issues and potential for their geographic area – to give an overview in the morning
- Good for networking and finding out what is happening
- Enjoyed it - thank you. Good way of introducing various users to interests that they possibly had not considered
- Very good
- I thought that the workshop was well run, however, I don't think any of the conclusions were especially surprising i.e. most of the issues are already well known
- Useful first stage to identify "interest" in Carron Valley and what parties are involved in the area. Also encouraged "buy-in" from businesses / groups / stakeholders into a Carron Valley Development Strategy
- Good day – firm conclusion despite being a bit confused about scope of discussion (especially geography)
- Very worthwhile and a good start point which has raised awareness for this area
- Very useful and well run. Great way to meet other groups
- Good workshop. Concerned that the process will get tied up in paperwork etc.
- Very informative. Good networking opportunity
- Good workshop but acoustics were very poor
- Excellent, good to see that there's a positive initiative being taken. Believe this needs to be repeated (not just a one-off). Imperative that councils work together on Carron Valley Plan
- Worthwhile, but I'm worried that we may have raised expectations. Need to get things moving!
- Very informative and useful exercise. Should not be a one-off
- Found it useful – it was beneficial to hear various viewpoints
- Useful to get an appreciation of current and planned developments
- Informative and interesting

- Quite a prescriptive approach but I supported this as it was intended to get consistent and comparable messages. The single issue nature of many of the comments made the facilitation tricky but it was handled well
- Very good
- Very constructive and informative
- Informative and positive. Excellent to see the themes are shared by everyone
- Useful
- Very informative and interesting
- Useful, but must be only the start of the process
- Very useful
- Lots of good ideas. Hopefully they will be actioned and not lost in a black hole
- Informative, democratic, but could have done with wider consultation input groups
- Useful and informative

What thoughts / ideas will you take away?

- Several
 - Optimistic about prospect of “Campsie Fells”
 - People / bodies will have to compromise and not unduly promote vested interests
 - This should be an “island” between Forth, Blane and Kelvin valleys
- Look at developing access routes / non vehicular to the surrounding area from NLC to Carron Reservoir
- What happens next? How do we move forward?
- How many contacts I can follow up for developing CVDG activities
- Good grouping of interests – more specific / targeted issue discussion required. How to establish management group membership?
- I've heard about projects and groups I never knew existed and will follow up potential projects for funding
- Will give some thought to who might best fulfil the role of “leader”. Who ought to assume key responsibility for progressing this process?
- A better understanding of stakeholders and their objectives
- Everyone has some general ideas and hopes - positive to work on
- The need to be aware of all groups in area
- Linking the West Highland Way to the Carron Valley Initiative by looking at cycle / walk ways links
- More idea of the bigger Carron Valley picture and parties involved
- Breadth of specific issues. Need to resource management forum which is critical to deal with disparate issues. Mark said” the whole needs to be greater than the sum of the parts”
- Take away – ideas, contacts, enthusiasm
- Contact made with community group / organisations

- I think Carron and Kelvin should be managed separately, but an overall workshop between the two bodies regularly
- Will discuss what came up with EDC Tourism Forum
- Put a lot of people into a room and they generally come up with the same solutions
- Need to define quick fix and LT / MT targets
- Interesting to note that common themes kept emerging from the various different parties
- Number of interest is large. Willingness to participate. Funding may be more difficult but staff time will be useful
- Are we any further forward toward regional park statute?
- The need for more communication and joined up thinking
- A feeling that maybe something can be done. A cynic might say they had seen it all before and no-one will actively take responsibility. The area has enormous potential – so make it happen!
- Potential here to develop into a combined “tourist attraction”. Needs co-ordination of groups – ownership and strategy with “buy in” from ground up stakeholders. Start of a long and complicated process – but strong potential!
- Who will lead taking the ideas forward?
- I hope the ideas come to fruition. Positive outlook
- Real interest in developing the CV area
- Increased awareness of other groups. Increased communication. Look towards developing further co-working