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**From:** Wall, Michael [mailto:michael.wall@forestry.gsi.gov.uk]  
**Sent:** 26 October 2006 17:01  
**To:** niall  
**Subject:** RE: Development at Carron Valley-

Niall

I'll, liaise with Alan and get back to you but its unlikely that Alan and I will be available at the same time for some while. My diary is full until the first week of December and Alan is equally tied up. It may be that you need to meet one or other but not both at the same time.

Regards

Michael

from Michael Wall

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**Sent:** 26 October 2006 16:38  
**To:** Stevenson, Alan  
**Cc:** Wall, Michael  
**Subject:** RE: Development at Carron Valley

Alan

7/8/9 are looking a bit tricky for me at the moment. Aside from these I'm clear - is there another date & time soon after this that both of you could make?

Thanks

Niall

Niall Thomson

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**From:** Stevenson, Alan [mailto:alan.stevenson@forestry.gsi.gov.uk]

**Sent:** 25 October 2006 15:46

**To:** niall

**Cc:** Wall, Michael

**Subject:** RE: Development at Carron Valley

Dear Niell

Thanks for your e-mail.

I am happy to meet with you. I spend a fair measure of time in central Scotland so no need for you to travel far.

Michael Wall and I would be available on Tuesday 7 November. We are both committed to attend a meeting starting at 1200 but we could fit something in before that. If this is a suitable date Michael can fix up a time and place which will be somewhere near the middle section of the M8.

Your sincerely

Alan Stevenson

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**From:** niall [mailto:niallt@██████████]  
**Sent:** 24 October 2006 13:00  
**To:** alan.stevenson@forestry.gsi.gov.uk  
**Subject:** Development at Carron Valley

Alan

Tried to call you a couple of times however, I gather you've been on holiday for the past fortnight and you are obviously busy catching up.

I writer concerning the letter received from Jim Hyslop, Scottish Executive dated 4<sup>th</sup> October which was addressed to our Group. I'm sure you'll have a copy of this. I wish to state from the outset that CVDG are most keen to move on from what might be termed past differences – perceived or otherwise. I would like to think that we could meet with a clean sheet and a common purpose.

As you know, CVDG wish to develop Carron Forest as a MTB centre and the ambition has never been anything other than to do so in full partnership with FCS. Much has changed over the last 2 years - not least some of the questions hanging over Carron Valley. We feel these have been largely answered and most importantly of all the current trails have proved to be an undoubted success with the public. With this in mind, CVDG spent the last few months surveying and developing an outline Project Plan for building a network of MTB trails and a significant length of multi user trail including path work to Meikle Bin and the Loup of Fintry.

This project was funded by North Lanarkshire Council and has since been fully endorsed by Central Scotland Forest Trust (they are prepared to provide staff and resources to fundraise and Project Manage – all subject to FCS approval of course) Stirling and North Lanarkshire Councils. The CSFT offer is obviously a major development, it represents a massive leg up for the project.

In accordance with the protocol of the Carron Valley Partnership, the plan was presented to Rena Tarwinska on 5<sup>th</sup> October however, we would now like to present this to yourself and to obtain your support for the project.

I know you are based in Inverness therefore we could meet perhaps halfway if that helps and there is a suitable FCS office nearby? If you could call me at your earliest convenience on the mobile no below we can arrange a mutually convenient date and time

Thanks

07/10/2008

Niall

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