

Highland Council Participation Request Annual Report April 2017 to March 2018

Highland Council is committed to supporting a participation request process that supports communities to identify their needs and engage in dialogue with the Council to deliver better outcomes in communities.

We have put in place a clear participation request process that engages with communities and harnesses the expertise of a variety of Council officers and partner agencies to inform our approach to participation requests.

https://www.highland.gov.uk/info/591/council_and_government/742/participation_requests

Elected members and senior managers across the Council have been briefed on the requirements of the legislation and how we should respond to requests.

We have also worked within our community planning structures at a strategic and local level to raise awareness of participation requests.

This first Annual Report on participation requests covers the period from 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018

The report outlines:-

- the numbers of requests received
- the geographical spread of requests across the Highland area.

Requests Received

During the period covered by this report one request was received asking to participate. This was judged not to be a valid participation request as it did not specify an outcome.

This request was received from Nairn West and Suburban Community Council.

Subsequently the Council and its Community Planning Partners have offered a meeting to all Nairn community councils