

Good news for Housing & Property Committee.

Our tenant engagement work has been recognised nationally in recent years with both tenant groups and officers winning a number of national awards.

This year the Caol Residents Group attended the Tenant Participation Advisory Service Conference in Clydebank. The Caol Residents Group has only been established for just over a year, but they achieved Runner-Up in the Best Practice in Developing Communities Award.

Some of their activities which were recognised included:

- Successful funding attained to run their well-attended Bite & Blether in partnership with the Council's Tenant Participation Team and Highlife Highland. It provides a safe warm place, free food tea and coffee and most importantly a good blether!



- Improved the area by working with the Tenant Participation Team and the Flood Protection Team to get 9 electricity boxes installed for Christmas Trees. The group held their first Christmas light switch on and event last year, Nevis Radio and Ferguson Transport all helped make the evening go well.
- Organised an Easter event for the community and a community free lunch on the King's Coronation both of which were well attended by tenants and residents of Caol.
- Working closely with the Community Council and the Caol Action Group to develop the Locality Plan.

Vice-chair Pamela Hendry and Karin Mckay Tenant Participation Officer received the award on behalf of the group at the national conference held in June.

