

Agenda Item	9
Report No	BIER-19-26

The Highland Council

Committee: Black Isle and Easter Ross

Date: 11 May 2026

Report Title: Common Good Consultation on the proposal to change the use of Blairliath Grazings

Report By: Assistant Chief Executive – Corporate
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1 Purpose/Executive Summary

1.1 The report provides information on the outcome of a public consultation under section 104 Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 in respect of the proposal to change the use of Common Good properties known as Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site and Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site in Tain.

The proposal involves the installation and operation of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) infrastructure at both locations.

2 Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to:-

- i. **Note** the statutory consultation process and its outcome as detailed in Sections 6 and 7 and Appendix 1 of the report;
- ii. **Consider** the representations received, together with the Council's responses as outlined within Appendix 2 and take these into account in the decision-making process, having due regard to the views of the inhabitants of the former Burgh of Tain;
- iii. **Recommend** to Full Council whether the proposal, having regard to the representations received and the best interests of the Tain Common Good Fund, should be **approved, amended, or rejected**, and provide the reasons for the decision reached; and
- iv. **Approve** the publication of the Council's responses to the representations, as set out within Appendix 2 on the Council's website.

3 Implications

3.1 **Resource** – There are no negative financial implications associated with the proposal.

The Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site has been vacant for some time and currently generates no income for the Tain Common Good Fund (TCGF). The estimated rental value as a grazing let is approximately £600 per annum. In contrast, the Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site is currently occupied on an annual arrangement and generates approximately £1,700 per annum for the TCGF.

While the proposal would occupy the full 4-acre site, removing it from potential future grazing let arrangement, only a portion of the 13-acre site would be affected. The area proposed for use does not form part of the existing grazing let arrangement. As such, the proposal will not impact the current letting of the 13-acre site or the income generated from it, should the sitting tenant or a future tenant wish to continue leasing the remaining land.

For the duration that the Council would occupy the properties under this proposal, which is likely to be a minimum of 25-years, the TCGF would receive income and thereby achieving Best Value for the fund. As the proposal remains at an early stage, the financial amount is yet to be determined and would be subject to the final array size, return achieved from the sale of electricity (based on a per kwh generated) and build cost to develop the project. The project requires planning permission to progress the next phase which is to develop the business case including funding and delivery options. Once the options have been considered, the financial return to the TCGF will be discussed and confirmed with Local Members.

It is anticipated that the income generated for the TCGF through this development will exceed the revenue currently obtained from the grazing lets.

3.2 **Legal** - There is a statutory requirement under section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to undertake public consultation before disposing of, or changing the use of, Common Good property. The outcome of that consultation must be taken into account when determining how to proceed with any proposal. In addition, Section 75 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 requires consent from the Sheriff Court where a proposal involves Common Good property that may be inalienable.

The properties subject to this consultation are owned by the Council under the title *Mrs Agnes Calder Denoon or Macdonald and Donald Hunter Denoon in favour of The Ross and Cromarty District Council*, recorded on 16 September 1980. It is understood that they were acquired using Common Good funds as investment properties and are therefore considered alienable Common Good. As a result, Sheriff Court consent is not required for this proposal to proceed.

3.3 **Risk** – The report is specifically in relation to the statutory requirement to consult as per the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 prior to disposing and/or changing the use of Common Good property.

Should the proposal proceed, further statutory consents will be required including those related to planning.

As a result of complying with relevant legislations, there are no risks identified resulting from this report.

3.4 **Health and Safety (risks arising from changes to plant, equipment, process, or people)** - All Common Good properties are managed in accordance with existing Council policies regarding health and safety requirements. Any health and safety considerations associated specifically with the proposed development will be addressed separately and do not form part of the requirements of this report.

3.5 **Gaelic** – No Gaelic implications have been identified as a result of this report.

4 Impacts

4.1 In Highland, all policies, strategies or service changes are subject to an integrated screening for impact for Equalities, Poverty and Human Rights, Children’s Rights and Wellbeing, Climate Change, Islands and Mainland Rural Communities, and Data Protection. Where identified as required, a full impact assessment will be undertaken.

4.2 Considering impacts is a core part of the decision-making process and needs to inform the decision-making process. When taking any decision, Members must give due regard to the findings of any assessment.

4.3.1 An Integrated Impact Assessment screening has been undertaken on 21 April 2026. The conclusions have been subject to the relevant Manager Review and Approval.

4.3.2 The Screening process has concluded that there are no impacts identified in relation to the common good consultation process and outcome and therefore a Full Assessment is not required.

4.3.3

Impact Assessment Area	Conclusion of Screening
Equality	<i>No impact</i>
Socio-economic	<i>No impact</i>
Human Rights	<i>No impact</i>
Children’s Rights and Well-being	<i>No impact</i>
Island and Mainland Rural	<i>No impact</i>
Climate Change	<i>No impact</i>
Data Rights	<i>No impact</i>

5 The Proposal

- 5.1 A report was submitted to the Black Isle and Easter Ross Area Committee on 10 November 2025 to update Members on a proposal to develop two ground-mounted solar PV arrays on Common Good land in Tain. The project forms part of the Council's Energy Investment and Innovation workstream within the Our Future Highland Delivery Plan.
- 5.2 The proposed development would generate and distribute renewable electricity locally, supporting nearby industry and contributing to the Council's Net Zero commitments. As a commercially operated scheme led directly by the Council, it is intended that the project would also deliver a sustainable income stream.
- 5.3 The proposed development would be located on two sites within the Blairliath Grazings: the 13-acre area and a 4-acre area. For the purposes of the project, these sites have been designated as 'Tain North' and 'Tain South' respectively.
- 5.4 In terms of Tain North, the Council wishes to develop a 121kWp ground mounted solar PV array which would directly supply renewable electricity to the Scottish Water Wastewater Treatment Works. This would include the instillation of approximately 220 solar panels at the site including a small battery energy storage system. The Common Good land at this location extends circa. 5.8ha, and the proposal would take up approximately 40 x 85 metres (about 0.34ha). This would allow the remaining 5.46ha to continue as grazing land available for future lets.
- 5.5 The Tain South site has remained unoccupied for several years. The proposal at this location would look to accommodate the entire site which is approximately 4.7ha. This would also be developed similarly as the Tain North site to supply renewable electricity directly to the adjacent Glenmorangie Distillery. Work is on-going to further develop the energy potential including the number of solar panels required to be installed at this location which will also include a small battery energy storage system.
- 5.6 Due to national grid constraints locally and difficulties accessing the Tain sub-station, neither project are being developed to supply electricity to the grid for export. Instead, they will generate renewable energy which would specifically be used for these sites/adjacent industries.
- 5.7 Although the sites are formally designated grazing land for let purposes, it is recognised that some local residents may use the areas informally, particularly the 13-acre site which is located along the coastline for walking. The proposed development would require both sites to be securely fenced for operational, security and health and safety reasons. As a result, public access to these areas would need to be restricted for the duration of the project.
- 5.8 Paragraph 3.1 (above) provides further detail on the current use and income benefits of these properties and outlines how each site is intended to be utilised within the proposed development.
- 5.9 In addition to the requirements associated with the Common Good, the proposal will also require planning permission before it can proceed.

- 5.10 In deciding whether to accept, amend or reject the change of use proposal, the Council must have regard to the views of the inhabitants of the former Burgh of Tain (Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) 2015 Act).
- 5.11 The remainder of this report describes the process and results of the consultation, to facilitate the decision making of Members in relation to the proposal.

6 Common Good Consultation

- 6.1 A statutory consultation on the proposal commenced on 19 January 2026 and concluded on 16 March 2026. The consultation document is included within Appendices 3 and 4 of this report.
- 6.2 The purpose of the consultation was to give Tain residents, including the community council and local community groups, the opportunity to express their views on how the proposed change of use might affect or alter the current community use and benefits of the Common Good property. As part of the consultation, respondents were invited to consider and comment on the following key questions:-
1. What are your views on the proposal utilising common good property?
 2. Do you have any views on potential benefits of the proposal?
 3. Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposal?
 4. Do you have any additional comments?

A copy of the representations are included within **Appendix 2**. The representations are reproduced verbatim (with personal information excluded/redacted) together with the Council's proposed responses to the consultation.

- 6.3 The consultation was publicised via the following methods:-
- The Tain Royal Burgh Community Council was informed directly on the day of the launch.
 - 8 community groups were also informed directly on the day of the launch.
 - A consultation notice poster and documents were provided to those who were informed directly, requesting assistance to publicise within the local community and raise awareness via key contacts.
 - A consultation notice poster and documents were provided to those who manage public buildings such as the leisure centre, library, service point (via HLH).
 - A press release and social media posts were issued on the Council's media accounts including website.
 - The Council's press release and social media posts were reported by local press outlets.
 - Reminder emails was circulated to all those who were informed directly of the consultation before the closing date.
 - The consultation document was published on the [Council's website](#) at the beginning of the launch and continues to be available.
 - Members were notified on the day of the launch that the consultation period had commenced.
 - The Project Manager for the proposal attended a Community Council meeting.
 - Site notices were displayed at the properties.

7 Summary of representations received

7.1 280 representations were received during the consultation period:-

- 1 community body (Tain Royal Burgh Community Council); and
- 279 individuals

252 responded using the Microsoft Forms platform; 14 directly by email; 14 by post via a questionnaire circulated by the Tain Royal Academy Community Complex (TRACC) Campaign Group.

- 221 responders were residents of Tain; and
- 59 responders lived within surrounding communities (such as Portmahomack, Ardgay, Balintore, Inver and Dornoch)

7.2 The views of those who responded to the proposal can be summarised as follows:-

	In-scope (related to the consultation)	Out of scope (related to TRACC/allocation of funds)	Unclear
Supportive (193)	44	149	-
Conditionally Supportive (42)	2	40	-
Opposed (20)	16	4	-
Not Sure / Unsure (19)	7	12	-
Other (6)	-	-	6
Total	69	205	6

The responses reveal significant public engagement in the consultation. The majority of comments however relate to matters such as the TRACC Campaign. While it is acknowledged that there is strong community interest in maintaining access to a local swimming pool in Tain, decisions regarding how any income generated from this proposal should be allocated are out-with the scope of this decision-making process. This consultation relates solely to the proposed change of use affecting the Common Good properties in question. Although the proposal is expected to generate financial benefits, and the proportion is yet to be determined, any such income will be attributed to the TCGF and managed in accordance with the appropriate governance arrangements. Paragraph 3.1 (above) confirms the resource position.

The consultation analysis therefore does not take into account comments relating to the TRACC Campaign and allocation of funds as these matters fall outside the scope of this consultation and decision-making process.

7.3 The analysis document included within **Appendix 1** details a summary of the in-scope comments, themes and concerns which have been distilled from the full representations contained within **Appendix 2**. Members are asked to review both documents while considering the proposal.

Summary of themes include:-

- environmental/ecological;
- landscape/visual impact;
- loss of green space/land use;
- safety;
- governance/transparency;
- infrastructure/traffic;
- general renewable energy opinions – positive and negative;
- consultation process;
- reference for alternative sites; and
- income benefits for the Tain CGF

7.4 The public consultation generated a range of in-scope comments relating to the proposal.

The primary concern raised by respondents centred around environmental and ecological considerations, particularly potential impacts on wildlife. Many respondents highlighted the value of the existing natural habitat and expressed a desire for comprehensive ecological assessment and appropriate mitigation. Landscape and visual impact were noted as key concerns, with respondents expressing apprehension about the perceived industrialisation, loss of green space, and loss of common good land for development. This also included concerns relating to potential effect on the coastal landscape and nearby walking routes.

Respondents raised queries relating to appropriate land use and site selection, with several suggesting the use of alternative options such as utilising rooftops of industrial and commercial buildings, brownfield land, or other already-developed sites. Comments emphasised the intrinsic value of Common Good land as open space and its long-standing use for grazing. Some comments highlight a desire for the land to be made available for community-led uses, such as open space, recreation, or allotments.

A number of submissions highlighted operational and safety considerations, particularly associated with the battery storage system. These included concerns about fire risk, proximity to the railway line, emergency-access requirements, and the need for robust monitoring arrangements.

Issues of governance and transparency were also raised. Respondents requested clearer information on anticipated income, commercial arrangements with electricity off-takers, and responsibilities for maintenance and decommissioning. Some respondents expressed concern regarding the stewardship of Common Good assets and sought assurances of clear, accountable management arrangements.

Further comments related to infrastructure and access, with several respondents highlighting limitations of the existing access road to the Blairliath Industrial Estate and seeking information on how construction and operational traffic would be managed.

7.5 The consultation received a good level of positive views toward the proposal. Supportive respondents commonly view the project as a productive, environmentally responsible, and forward-thinking use of Common Good land, capable of generating long-term community benefit while aligning with renewable energy and sustainability goals.

Supportive respondents highlighted that the land identified for development is currently under-utilised, or offering little, long-term benefit to the community in its present form. The proposal was widely considered a more effective use of land and welcomed the continued use for grazing on parts of the 13-acre site.

There was a strong and consistent theme of support for the project's wider environmental value. Respondents recognised the benefits of generating renewable, low-carbon energy, contributing to Net Zero ambitions and reducing reliance on fossil fuels. Some respondents believed that the development would lead to lower energy costs, however, as noted in the consultation documentation, this is not an intended outcome of this particular proposal.

Several respondents highlighted the perceived biodiversity enhancements that could arise from the proposal, including the introduction of wildflowers and native species. It was noted that such measures could strengthen the current environmental value of the sites.

Respondents expressed support for the potential to generate a sustained, reliable income stream for the TCGF. Many viewed the project as a rare opportunity for the community to secure long-term financial benefit from a Common Good asset, significantly exceeding what is achievable through short-term grazing lets.

Other supportive submissions described the proposal as appropriate for the location, noting its proximity to existing industrial and utility infrastructure, relatively low visual impact and suitability as a modern use of flat, accessible ground.

7.6 The consultation demonstrates a broad range of views that Members will need to consider in determining whether the proposed change of use is appropriate. The majority of respondents who provided in-scope comments are supportive (44) of the proposal utilising and changing the use of Common Good land.

With regard to the Council's responses to the concerns raised, it should be noted that the development is at an early stage and will be subject to all required regulatory approvals. Planning-related matters identified during the consultation, especially those concerning ecology, visual impact, safety and access for example will be evaluated and mitigated through the planning process. The public will be able to submit further representations at that stage.

In terms of land use and consideration of alternative sites for this development, the proposal is specifically tied to the identified locations because the electricity generated by the solar PV arrays is intended to be supplied directly to neighbouring businesses. Locating the panels elsewhere, such as on rooftops or other Council-owned buildings, is not feasible due to the scale of generation required. The capacity needed to meet the projected energy demand cannot be achieved via smaller installations on smaller and alternative sites.

Appendix 4 – issued as a supporting document to the consultation paper – had already addressed some of the concerns that were subsequently raised during the consultation.

Detailed responses to individual points raised by respondents are provided within **Appendix 2**.

8 Decision making and outcome

- 8.1 Under the Council's Scheme of Delegation, decisions relating to Common Good assets are delegated to the relevant Area Committee where the value of the asset or proposal is less than 10% of the respective Common Good Fund. Where the value exceeds this threshold, decision-making is reserved to Full Council.
- 8.2 Given that the value of the proposal in relation to the TCGF has not yet been determined, it would be prudent to seek a decision from Full Council at this stage. This approach ensures that the appropriate decision-making governance has been undertaken should the proposal ultimately exceed 10% of the value of the TCGF.
- 8.3 Members must have regard to the views of the representations received as contained within **Appendix 2** and consider the Council's responses, whilst also reflecting on responsibilities for the TCGF, in reaching a decision on how to proceed.

Noting the out-of-scope comments in 7.1 - 7.2 (above) Members are required therefore to consider the in-scope comments as part of the decision-making process.

Taking account of the concerns raised, supportive comments, and the overall impacts and benefits, officer recommendation is to approve the proposal. The main reasons are:-

- Majority of responders are in favour of the proposal;
- Many of the concerns noted will be addressed and mitigated through the planning process;
- The proposal offers increased and sustainable income potential for the TCGF for a minimum of 25-years;
- The 4-acre site has remained vacant for a significant period, indicating limited demand in its current use with no financial benefits for the TCGF;
- The development utilises an area of the 13-acre site that is not included in the existing lease. As such, it is expected to have minimal impact on the ongoing grazing let and the income currently generated from it; and
- Supports delivery of the Council's Net Zero commitments and wider strategic objectives.

8.4 Members are asked to recommend to Full Council whether to:-

- **Approve** the proposal;
- **Amend** the proposal (noting that substantive amendments may require a further statutory consultation); or
- **Reject** the proposal.

Members are also asked to provide clear reasons for their decision, to be recorded as part of the decision-making process.

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Background Papers: None

Appendices: Appendix 1 – Consultation Analysis
Appendix 2 – Representations and Responses
Appendix 3 – Consultation Document
Appendix 4 – Further Information Document

TAIN COMMON GOOD FUND**CONSULTATION ANALYSIS ON THE CHANGE OF USE PROPOSAL AT BLAIRLIATH GRAZINGS 13-acre SITE AND
BLAIRLIATH GRAZINGS 4-acre SITE IN TAIN FOR A SOLAR PV ARRAYS DEVELOPMENT.****1. Number of responses received**

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2. Summary of the representations received

The analysis, which is presented in the Table 1 below, provides a summary of the in-scope themes and comments raised during the consultation period. Appendix 2 within the main Committee Report contains verbatim reproductions of all representations received together with the proposed responses. In compliance with the Council’s data protection policy and the common good consultation guidance, personal information has been removed/redacted.

TABLE1: Themes and comments (non-TRACC/swimming pool comments)				
Environmental	Land Use	Operational	Management/Governance	Other
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wildlife and biodiversity impacts • Loss of natural grassland • Need for ecological surveys • Wildlife disturbance i.e. birds • Pollution and soil degradation ----- • Support renewable energy, Net Zero targets • Reduction of carbon emissions • Proposal is forward thinking, good for the environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visual impacts “blight on the landscape” “eye-sore” • Located near the shoreline/scenic views • Impacts on nearby walking routes • Industrialisation of rural land • Loss of green space • Loss of common good land for development • Loss of grazing land • Currently provides “green buffer” around the town – good for health and wellbeing • Queried whether using existing buildings i.e. roof tops better option rather than using up land 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety concerns regarding the battery storage system • Close proximity to the railway • Fire risks i.e need for fire/emergency protocols • access routes • General risks such as deer fencing, electrocution, protection from burrowing animals • Road/traffic issues – Blairliath Ind Estate narrow and busy i.e. road upgrades • Issues with drainage and possible contamination i.e the panels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of information how CGF will benefit financially • Clarity on who pays for the construction and maintenance • Lack of information regarding electricity rates • Local residents should benefit from cheaper electricity • Who will be responsible for decommissioning of the site in the future • Need for transparency ----- • Sustainable income for CGF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments about Crofters Act • Comments about businesses benefitting and profiteering • General concern about THC and how they manage the CG assets • Dissatisfaction in the consultation process • Queried the technology and appropriate for Scotland • Limited publicity • Could not find the consultation information • Not enough detail ----- • Opportunity for income generation for the Tain CGF

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low impact development in-use with grazings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable energy attitudes i.e. “too much clutter” • Not against solar but not on green open spaces • Loss of character ----- • Site is underused, could be better suitable for renewable energy, and capable of delivering green benefits • Good use of common good land and income generation 			
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Summary of themes:

- Environmental/ecological
- Landscape/visual impact
- Loss of green space/land use
- Safety
- Governance/transparency
- Infrastructure/traffic
- General renewable energy opinions – positive and negative
- Consultation process
- Preference for alternative sites
- Income benefits for the Tain CGF

Members must have regard to the views of the inhabitants of the former Burgh of Tain, as contained in the representations received, during the decision-making process.

APPENDIX 2 - Common Good consultation representations and responses - Blairliath Grazings, Tain (Id 1 - 252 responded via Microsoft Forms; E1 - E14 = email P1 - P14 = Post)

ID	Are you a resident of Tain?	Are you completing this form	Please confirm which organisation	What are your views on the Proposal utilising common good property?	Do you have any views on potential benefits of the Proposal?	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the Proposal?	Do you have any additional comments?	Please confirm if you are	Council responses
1	Yes	As an individual		It should remain common good property or a high percentage of proceeds should go to the common good fund as a continuing measure	No	Yes. It should remain common good land or a percentage of profits should go to common good fund	No	Against the Proposal	This consultation relates solely to the proposed change of use of the asset. There are no plans to sell or dispose of the property. The asset will continue to be owned by the Council and administered on behalf of the Tain Common Good Fund. The proposal does not alter ownership, and the property will remain part of the Common Good.
2	Yes	As an individual		Totally against it!	There are none. It's a blight on the landscape!	Yes it's a blight on the landscape, it's common good land for grazing animals. I would like to see the proposal documentation including who is building it, will it create less cal jobs and if do how many, what are they, what wage will be given how much is the infrastructure costing, where is the money coming from, which energy company will be taking the energy from it, what reduction in bills will it give local people. And prob a hell of a lot more!	Just send me the documentation I ve asked for. Oh yes, who are the people pushing for this change of use of common good land? I'd also like kept up to date on the votes for this.	Against the Proposal	The lands are currently utilised as annual grazing lets. This consultation seeks views on a proposal to change the use of the land to allow the development of solar PV arrays. While the 4-acre site would be wholly utilised for this development, only a small portion of the 13-acre site will be utilised - the majority of this land would continue to be used as grazing lets. Planning permission has not yet been submitted. During the planning application, the standard planning public consultation process will be undertaken, and members of the public can comment and submit representations in relation to the detailed plans and technical aspects of the proposals. These will be considered as part of the planning determination which is a separate process to the common good consultation.
3	Yes	As an individual		Ridiculous that common good land and council money will be used to fund private businesses	Benefits should not be made to businesses, they should be purchasing the electricity generated at an agreed rate and they money then used to the good of the town	Why is council money being spent to develop something that will purely benefit multi million pound private businesses?	No	Against the Proposal	This is a Council-led initiative designed to generate renewable energy locally. Electricity produced by the proposed solar PV arrays would be supplied directly to neighbouring businesses, supporting local economic activity and reducing carbon emissions. The Council would receive an income from the scheme through the sale of the generated electricity.

4	Yes	As an individual		Better options available. Would like to see full costs and benefits analysis.	Assume very limited. Already Highland produces more renewable energy than can be used in Highland.	Environmental concerns re wildlife and fauna	No	Against the Proposal	Currently only initial site feasibility work has been undertaken, including energy modelling, draft site layouts and early discussion with potential commercial off-takers for the energy generated. Following the Common Good Consultation, the next stage would be to seek Planning Approval, which is proposed to take place in the Spring of 2026. Environmental impact will be assessed during this process.
5	Yes	As an individual		Are the residents of Tain going to get cheaper electricity as a result? Otherwise it doesn't exactly seem to be for the common good. If yes then I think it's a marvellous idea.	Cutting electricity costs for locals would be wonderful.	There may be better uses for the land that actually benefit everyone if there's no intent to use the electricity generated for us.	No.	Conditionally supportive.	Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site. If there are local desires to utilise the land for community use, the Council would welcome to hear of such proposals.
6	Ardgay	As an individual		Terrible idea. There are considerable opportunities for renewables in already industrialised areas. If we continue to decimate rural land for increased industrialisation, what exactly are we doing? Climate change mitigation is essential for future survival but biodiversity is essential for human survival. Unless we prioritise the survival and sustainability of that diversity, we seal our own demise. It is indeed short sighted and dangerous. Existing buildings, industrial estates, dam walls, on existing renewable structures and brownfield sites are the places for these developments. Not land gifted to the community for the use by the community. We continue to pay higher and higher costs for fuel. The main benefit I can see is to the shareholders of renewable developments.	Yes. How is this going to reduce prices of electricity for locals? It isn't. Why not be straight about that?	There are considerable opportunities for renewables in already industrialised areas. If we continue to decimate rural land for increased industrialisation, what exactly are we doing? Climate change mitigation is essential for future survival but biodiversity is essential for human survival. Unless we prioritise the survival and sustainability of that diversity, we seal our own demise. It is indeed short sighted and dangerous. Existing buildings, industrial estates, dam walls, on existing renewable structures and brownfield sites are the places for these developments. Not land gifted to the community for the use by the community. We continue to pay higher and higher costs for fuel. The main benefit I can see is to the shareholders of renewable developments.	I hope this 'development' (backwards step) is denied. It will be an eyesore and further industrialisation of an area already swamped with wind turbines. Enough.	Against the Proposal	This is a Council-led initiative designed to generate renewable energy locally and is considered to be relatively small in comparison with other developments. Electricity produced by the proposed solar PV arrays would be supplied directly to neighbouring businesses, supporting local economic activity and reducing carbon emissions. The Council would receive an income from the scheme through the sale of the generated electricity. The project also requires planning permission and therefore technical aspects of the project will be assessed as part of the planning process.
7	Yes	As an individual		This would be a positive use of the land.	This would be a vital contribution to the move towards more renewable energy.	None	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.

8	Yes	As an individual		My views are no. Why can't local carparks be covered and solar panels on top such as is the case in Europe.	No.	Reduction in countryside and sild areas when car parks are widly available.	No	Against the Proposal	This is a Council-led initiative designed to generate renewable energy locally specific for these sites. Electricity produced by the proposed solar PV arrays would be supplied directly to neighbouring businesses, supporting local economic activity and reducing carbon emissions. The Council would receive an income from the scheme through the sale of the generated electricity. Citing the panels for this specific proposal on roof tops or other buildings is not feasible due to scale and the Council not having enough roof space on Council buildings to achieve critical mass to meet demand.
9	Resident of Tarbat Peninsula, have family in Tain	As an individual		I do not believe that common good areas should be utilised to provide structures that are of little benefit to, but wholly impact, the local area. I do not believe the meagre income to the common good fund is sufficient incentive to destroy local landscapes.	The only benefits I see are to companies that are profiteering from ravaging the countryside under the guise of "net zero".	Allowing this will only be the start. We will soon see all our open accessible areas being commandeered for these profiteers who will take, take, take and give very little back. Money and profit are the only drivers of these abominable structures.	Having lived in this area all my life I cherish what outdoor space we have, the green fields, the beautiful landscape, the untouched areas that just are. I firmly believe that in years to come we will look back on this absurd idea of filling spaces with solar panels, batteries etc. and realise the massive mistake we made but by then it will be too late. We are Scotland, not some insignificant waste land that can be dumped on. Stand up and be counted and protect our country and countryside now.	Against the Proposal	This is a Council-led initiative designed to generate renewable energy locally. Electricity produced by the proposed solar PV arrays would be supplied directly to neighbouring businesses, supporting local economic activity and reducing carbon emissions. The Council would receive an income from the scheme through the sale of the generated electricity.
10	Yes	As an individual		I am currently unsure about this. The environmental impact of taking away green areas to put in solar panels does not sit well. Also, there is no clear information on the environmental impact, employment opportunity, financial benefit to residents of Tain.	I agree that using renewable energy is a positive step however there needs to be a balance between using clean energy and removing green areas. Creating job opportunities for local people for installation and maintenance.	What is the financial benefit for the Tain Common Good Fund. It states the solar panels will be for local companies but where is the benefit for residents? Will local people benefit from energy created? Will there be division of profits? There needs to be detailed, clearer information in order for local people to give an informed opinion.	I would like further information on this venture, I do not think there is enough being presentated to make an informed decision. What is the long term impact on the fields? Will it destroy the soil? Could they be returned to grazing in the future? Who really benefits from this? Currently is appears that Glenmorangie and Scottish Water will but that could be due to lack of clarity.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID2, ID11 and ID12.
11	Yes	As an individual		I support the use of this ground for the purpose proposed, provided that a sufficient amount of money is going to be going to the common good fund for the lifetime of the array.	Money to the common good fund can be used to benefit the town	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	As the proposal is at an early stage, the financial amount is yet to be determined. The value of the land currently as grazing lets are - Tain South (4-acre site) is £600 per annum and Tain North (13-acre site) is £1,700. It is likely the income potential for the Tain Common Good Fund will increase as a result of the change of use proposal.

12	Yes	As an individual		The development should focus on supporting local people through reduced energy bills. Supporting local industry/ Net Zero ambitions means nothing to me.	The current proposal benefits the wrong parties/ agendas.	How such a development would support local industry needs to be made clear.	No	Not sure	Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.
13	Yes	As an individual		If the people of Tain, who are already struggling to heat their homes get cheaper electricity, then fine, but if it's only going to benefit industries, which is a very small niche market in the Tain area, then, NO.	See answer to question 5.	See answer to question 5.	See answer to question 5.	If it gets cheaper electricity for the people of Tain, then fine but if only for the small industrial niche in the Tain area to reap benefit from it, then, NO.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID12.
14	No	As an individual		I consider it wrong that Common Good property is being suggested for use to jump on the Net Zero gravy train. It has cultural value as grazing. The area is being industrialised with renewables. Towns like Tain need green spaces around them for mental health and a chance to enjoy the animals grazing, butterflies etc. It really isn't as if Easter Ross is noted for its sunshine. These things don't work when covered in snow and if they get damaged, by hail or anything else. they contaminate the land forever. Something that is rarely mentioned. Solar should go on roofs, not green pastures.	I can't see any, except someone will make money at the loss of a welcome public green space. Is it really worth it?	Solar belongs on roofs, and over car parks, not on green spaces	I do not live in Tain but visit to shop and walk my dogs. This would be a waste of Common Good land.	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID9.
15	Yes	As an individual		This is currently the 13 acre field that we have for grazing so we need to know if we are getting thrown out or not. Is this all off the 13 acres or just a small section???? I would think solar panels energy would be a benefit for the community if.. 100% of the revenue is put back into the community. Sorting roads, putting towards a new pool complex, giving residents of tain cheaper electricity. I could go on but this must be 100% revenue back into Tain.	Only if 100% of revenue goes into tain community.	Thrown out our grazing and would the council have additional sites for grazing?	Is this a private company or government pushing this???	Not sure	The proposal on the 13-acre site will take up approximately 40 x 85metres (about 0.34ha), adjacent to the water treatment site. This area is currently not part of any lease arrangement. The entire 4-acre site will be utilised for the development and therefore no longer available for annual grazing lets. This site has remained unoccupied for sometime. This is a Council-led proposal. See also response to ID17.

16	Yes	As an individual		I am in support of the proposal.	Profits must be shared with the community at a minimum of 50%. I'd hope that funding could be used to support the development of TRACC if required.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	As the proposal is at an early stage, the financial amount is yet to be determined and would be subject to the final array size, return achieved from the sale of electricity (based on a per kwh generated) and build cost to develop the project. The project requires planning permission to progress the next phase which is to develop the business case including funding and delivery options. Once the options have been considered, the financial return to the Tain Common Good Fund will be discussed and confirmed with Local Members, ensuring Best Value considerations are met. While it is recognised there is strong interest within the Tain community in protecting access to a local swimming pool, decisions regarding how any income generated from this proposal may be allocated fall outwith the scope of the change of use consultation.
17	Yes	As an individual		It seems to me to be a good use of land which is currently not used constructively, and I am all for renewables. Two points - will there be a wildlife survey to establish what uses the local wildlife make of the area and what mitigations may be put in place? Secondly - will Glenmorangie either pay towards it and/or pay a commercial rate for any electricity generated?	Renewables is a good thing	Wildlife mitigation as it is close to the shore and many waterfowl utilise the area.	Ring fence the income and actually use the money in the Common Good Fund....this seems to be a Fund which no one in Tain appears to know how it works or even knows about.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and an environmental impact assessment will be considered as part of this process. See also response to ID9 and ID16. You can contact your Local Member or Community Development Manager for more information about the Tain Common Good Fund.
18	Yes	As an individual		It would be a positive move if the proposal is to benefit Tain.	The monetary benefits (income) should benefit the people of Tain.	I would like to see any income generated benefit Tain especially towards our Leisure Facilities. I would like to be reassured that a thorough environmental assessment is undertaken, especially around ground nesting birds.	It would be preferable to me if European (that includes the UK) materials were sourced for the project instead of Chinese.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and an environmental impact assessment will be considered as part of this process. The procurement process will determine where and how materials will be sourced with the available funding. See response to ID16.
19	Yes	As an individual		Should it go ahead there must be a locked in agreement that at least 50% of profit be allocated to Tain Common Good and returned to the community for the benefit of that community. This could fund new leisure facilities and a pool as per the ongoing TRACC campaign	Available profit returned to the community	Watertight financial agreement as above, with timelines	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID 16.
20	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour of the outlined proposal.	I am in favour of at least 50% of any profits generated being utilised in the financing of a new swimming pool and fitness centre.	I have no concerns.	My support of the proposal is conditional on the council's decision regarding the distribution of profits towards the provision of a swimming pool and fitness centre.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID 16.

21	Yes	As an individual		Have no concerns regarding the use of the common good land for purpose proposed.	That said much as possible of money generated should be used towards the provision of a new facility similar to that provided at present at TRACC which now has a five year life expectancy	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID 16.
22	I live in the general area and often shop in Tain and take walks in the general areas around the town. I have owned a house at Tarlogie Farm in the past and know a number of people that live in the town and surrounding areas/villages	As an individual		I totally disagree this this land should be getting used for this purpose as this is clearly trying to pubic amenity land simply to make profits which will totally desecrate this prominent location. Why will be responsible for maintaining and disposing of this equipment and finally reinstating the site at the end of ts useful life and who is paying for all this if your especially of the business partner goes bust or this no longer remains financially viable. I feel it is better left as Grass and Not ending up covered with Glass!	I feel that the benefits to the town are be exaggerated and have clearly dowplayed the negative aspects of this development It will clearly not benefit any of the general run of the mill Tain population//man in the street who will continue to pay some of the highest Energy Tariffs in the UK at the same time as suffering from excessive rates of fuel poverty. This is all a complete nonsense and non-starter and the person who came up with this mad idea (no doubt all totally politically driven) should be ashamed of themselves	See above	None	TOTALLY against the Proposal	This land is currently utilised as grazing lets, meaning that the fields are leased out on an annual basis for residents to look after and manage livestock. Details on the instillation and management of the development is yet to be determined. The project is at an early stage - the next phase will be to apply for planning permission and subsequently develop a business case and delivery model. This is a Council-led development where energy will be generated and sold directly to neighbouring businesses only.
23	I live in the general area and often shop in Tain and take walks in the general areas around the town. I have owned a house at Tarlogie Farm in the past and know a number of people that live in the town and surrounding areas/villages	As an individual		I totally disagree this this land should be getting used for this purpose as this is clearly trying to pubic amenity land simply to make profits which will totally desecrate this prominent location. Who will be responsible for maintaining and disposing of this equipment and finally reinstating the site at the end of ts useful life and who is paying for all this especially if the business partner goes bust or this no longer remains financially viable. I feel it is better left as Grass and Not ending up covered with Glass!	I feel that the benefits to the town are be exaggerated and have clearly downplayed the negative aspects of this development It will clearly not benefit any of the general run of the mill Tain population//man in the street who will continue to pay some of the highest Energy Tariffs in the UK at the same time as suffering from excessive rates of fuel poverty.	See Above	None	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID22.

24	Yes	As an individual		I would like to express my disappointment that Highland Council is currently unable to provide any indication of how the income generated will be divided and any potential financial gain that may accrue to the Common Good as a result of this development. My support of the proposed placement of Solar Arrays on Tain Common Good ground is conditional upon an agreement that at least 50% of any profit generated by the solar arrays should be allocated directly to the Tain Common Good Fund. I agree with the opinion of The Tain Community Council, that this would ensure that the benefits of such initiatives are returned to the community, and that transparency and a fair share of profits are essential to maintaining public trust and supporting the long-term interests of Tain residents.	As a resident who attended the community meeting in the Tain Gala Marquee last summer, I agree with the sentiment expressed by the community that the Common Good should receive a half share of the proceeds from the Solar Array, and for Highland Council to consider ring-fencing their half to help deliver a new swimming pool. I want to be clear that my support is conditional on a fair division of the income along those lines.	I agree with the opinion of the Tain Community Council that there must be a clear commitment from the Highland Council to work with the people of Tain & Easter Ross to deliver the pool. This will be demonstrated if 50% goes to the Common Good and the Council's half is ring-fenced to deliver a new swimming pool.	See above	See above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
25	Yes	As an individual		As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support. If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support. If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support. If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support. If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
26	Yes	As an individual		Should 50% of profit go to Tain Common Good Fund to support new swimming pool I would agree with the proposal.	New swimming pool	Yes, should 50% not be given back to Tain a rejection of the proposal.	No	Depends on the % of profits	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

27	Yes	As an individual		As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support. If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	As above see answer 5	As above see answer 5	As above see answer to 5	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
28	Portmahomack	As an individual		I believe this will have positive benefits to the Tain community.	Hopefully, some of the financial gain from the project could help support the development of a new swimming pool and leisure facility in Tain.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
29	Yes	As an individual		As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good Land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness centre.	As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good Land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness centre.	that it goes ahead without sharing the profits with the swimming pool fund	n/a	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
30	Yes	As an individual		I live in Tain but would only support the change of use of the Common Good land at Blairlaith to develop Solar Arrays if 50% of the profits go back to the Common Good Fund, so that Highland Council's share of those profits will help towards a new Fitness Suite & Swimming Pool as a replacement for TRACC.	This was suggested at the discussion in summer last year held at the marquee on the links. If this does not happen I deem the proposal unfair & would not support it. After all the is set aside for COMMON GOOD, which I think means the community of Tain. Therefore the community, by giving up its land, should be recompensed.	See above	I will not support this Application if there are not benefits to the community. TRACC is the thing in Tain that most needs funding for current & future generations. It has been grossly & unfairly neglected recently. This is Highland Council's chance to make some amends.	I would only support the proposal if a substantial amount of moneys raised would be used to redevelop TRACC	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

31	Yes	As an individual		As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support. "If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	Potential benefit would be to provide financial support for the benefit of the town as the common good fund always did	Proposal should not be allowed on common good land unless it's going to directly benefit the community.	No	Supportive on condition of direct benefit to the town	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
32	Yes	As an individual		I would support the use of utilising common good property as long as 50 percent of any profits are placed in the common good fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to put towards the cost of a new pool and fitness suite in Tain.	I am all for generating renewable energy and increasing biodiversity. I am all for Tain benefitting from any revenue stream.	My concern is that Tain will gain little financial return from the project when the community is desperate to raise funds for new leisure facilities.	No.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
33	Yes	As an individual		Former Councillor Derek Louden has put the argument very succinctly. I was at the meeting held in the Gala Marquee on the Links last summer that he mentions and where there was overwhelming support for TRACC. I echo his sentiments, as stated below: "As a resident of Tain I support the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by nearly 400 people which I support." Thank you.	I am a regular user of TRACC and hold a monthly family membership subscription. I feel it is vitally important to have such an excellent facility in the town that is supported by Highland Council.	As Derek Louden stated, I would agree with him that if the conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.	Not at this time.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
34	Yes	As an individual		Should only be used if it will be of benefit to the whole Tain community.	If profit made can be used towards future projects to benefit Tain community particularly the new swimming pool and picture house.	Safety of BESS	I am supportive of the proposal subject to confirmation that it is safe for the community and the environment and that it will be guaranteed profit and benefit for the community not just Scottish Water and Glenmorangie.	Supportive of the Proposal	The development requires planning permission where safety and environmental factors will be considered as part of this process. See also response to ID16.
35	Yes	As an individual		I support the proposal if 50% of income is used to finance community sports facilities in Tain.	Tain needs sports facilities.	No	No	If 50% of income is used to support community sports facilities inTain	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

36	Yes	As an individual		I would support this proposal as long as at least half the profits generated by the project was ring-fenced for a new swimming pool and sports facility for the town of Tain. Otherwise I would not support the project at all.	The only benefit would be the money generated, however if that money was not to help with local issues such as our desperate need for funding a new pool then the proposal is worth nothing to us as a community.	Our community needs to have our sports facility and pool secured so my main concern is that this proposal would go ahead and the money made from this project would not be used to meet the need for this facility.	No	Supportive on certain conditions.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
37	Yes	As an individual		I will support the proposal only if at least 50% of all profits made, are given to the Tain common good fund and a pledge that the remaining profits (HC share) are used to fund the replacement TRACC facility.	This is a huge potential benefit to the community but only under the terms in question 5.	Not acceptable for the HC to consider the use of this land and the only benefit to the community would be a slight raise in income from land rental only.	Not ethical or moral to impose facilities on the common good, that are not in a safe and well maintained condition. The burden of repair then falls on the common good fund, this is outrageous, unacceptable and now becoming common knowledge for which officers of the council will be held to account. The profits from the solar array, should be used for the purposes as detailed above and not for patching up historically failing buildings (pushed into community ownership) due to incompetent use of public money.	Supportive only under the terms above.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16. In addition, Common Good properties must, by law, be recorded and published on the Common Good Asset Register. These assets have a distinct legal status: they are held for the benefit of the local community. Determining whether a property is Common Good requires detailed title investigations, historical research, and reference to relevant case law. Not all Council-owned properties meet the legal tests, and the Council cannot add assets to the register unless there is a proper basis for recognising them as Common Good.
38	Yes	As an individual		In theory this is a good idea provided it is used to maximise any potential benefits to the local community.	There was widespread agreement among attendees at a meeting in Tain last summer that 50% of any profit generated by these solar farms should feed into the Common Good fund, with the remaining 50% ring fenced to help deliver a new swimming pool and leisure facilities in Tain.	My concern is that the people of Tain and the outlying areas support these solar arrays and then see little in return for their faith and agreement. In particular, without concrete guarantees from Highland Council that 50% will go to new leisure facilities in Tain, this money could simply disappear into the Council's budget gap.	Not at the moment, thanks	Supportive as long as above guarantees are put place	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
39	Yes	As an individual		I think that the proposal is a good idea to help power the sewerage plant and use of this area would not be visually invasive	Use of renewable energy seems a good idea.	I am concerned about the additional traffic pressure on the already busy and fairly narrow access road to Blairliath industrial area since we are also adding traffic with the new community hub opposite Lidl. Will the road be improved and widened?	I am in favour of this as long as road improvements are also made	Supportive of the Proposal	The development is at an early stage and requires planning permission. Issues relating to traffic management will be considered as part of this process.
40	Yes	As an individual		I support the change of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays but only if at least 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits is ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite.	Yes, it seems like a good use of land, which is not being used for grazing, to generate renewable energy and reduce carbon emissions.	No	I would withdraw my support for the proposal if the above conditions are not agreed to.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

41	Raised in Tain, living in Seaboard village	As an individual		It should NOT be used for a Solar farm to benefit businesses. It is for the benefit of the local community	Solar panels should be put on roofs not taking up land.	Land which could be used to benefit the community eg Allotments, tree planting etc instead of benefiting Glenmorangie Distillery which is already gaining a footpath from Tain Initiative funding £50,000	Put solar panels on the roof of Waterwaste plant and Glenmorangie can do this themselves Keep Common Good fund land for OUR good. Mussel dredging already took money from Tain Common Good	Against the Proposal	This is a Council-led proposal where energy will be generated and sold to neighbouring businesses. It is specific to this location as it will be sold directly to the sites.
42	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour of common good property being used for this proposal given that part of the proposed site has been unused for several years and the opportunity to raise funds for common good activities to benefit the residents of Tain should not be missed.	Solar PV array opportunities are not to be missed as the environmental benefits are high. The local community should also benefit through the procurement of common good funds.	Only that a considerable percentage of the revenue raised should be used for the community of Tain through the supporting of the TRACC campaign to realise a new swimming pool and leisure complex for the town. This will provide health and well being benefits for residents for many years to come.	I would not be in favour of the proposal if direct benefits for the community were not in place to support the TRACC campaign to procure new pool and community leisure facilities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
43	Yes	As an individual		Once common good land is gone there is a very high chance that it may never be returned, so this requires careful consideration and not agreement upon the first sign of £s that seems profitable. I say 'seems profitable' because there are no figures that prove it 'will' be profitable and we risk giving away land for an eventual low or nil return.	I can see how this will benefit Glenmorangie distillery and I am partially happy in that anything that secures employment of a Tain workforce is worth considering. If the distillery were actually owned and run by Tain residents then I would be even more in favour, but this is not the case. I am, therefore, concerned that Glenmorangie owners/shareholders, who reside outside Tain, may end up benefiting more than the town itself. Common Good Land is supposed to benefit the town of Tain. I fear that setting our sights on a short term gain may end up as Tain's long term loss.	Yes, I want to see more proof of how this will benefit Tain, in actual growth forecasts, with an attached suitable financial guarantee for the town, in annual pounds not just perceived percentages.	Yes, I am concerned that the natural beauty of the Highlands is slowly being eaten away and lost to commercial green energy projects that are of more financial benefit to areas other than the Highlands. Im all in favour of green energy but not at the cost of ruining our rural areas and the delicate balances of their habitats. Once these areas are gone, they are gone and there is no bringing them back.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. This is a Council-led proposal where energy will be generated and sold to neighbouring businesses. It is specific to this location as it will be fed directly to the sites. The financial benefits for the Tain Common Good Fund is yet to be determined. The next phase of the project requires planning permission and if approved, the business case and delivery model will be determined. The planning process will also assess the environmental impacts of the development.
44	Yes	As an individual		Consideration should only be given if it's to benefit the community	Will there be any additional Opportunities for grazing lets	Minimal options now for grazing lets	No	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The 4-acre site has been vacant for a number of years. The majority of the 13-acre site will continue to be available for annual grazing lets.
45	Yes	As an individual		This would seem to be a very good use of the land.	Solar power is a good way to produce power and much greener than many other forms.	Because this development is on Tain land it is only right that the Tain community should benefit.	I would hope that any funds generated would be directed back to Tain. At present the community are fund raising to get a replacement for TRACC and as this land was gifted to the Tain people surely it is only right that 50% be directed to this fund.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

46	Yes	As an individual		This would appear to be a very sensible and productive use of this common good land.	Solar power is an ideal form of green energy for a country aiming for net zero. A significant proportion of any profit generated should be allocated directly to the Tain Common Good Fund, which in turn the community could use to support the new TRACC development. In addition any money generated by THC should be ring fenced to support the new TRACC development (both wet and dry facilities).	My one concern would that any profit generated does not benefit the people of Tain. Surely the individual who originally gifted the land to the Tain Community would certainly have envisaged such gifting to benefit the Tain residents.	If possible could a right of way/footpath be maintained in the development as hopefully one day we might see a footpath/cycle way linking Tain and the Dornoch Bridge.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
47	Yes	As an individual		Agree with the proposal	Benefits of the proposals for the future of the community would be superb	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
48	Yes	As an individual		Support the proposal provided a proportion of accrued funding be given to support development of new swimming and leisure facilities for Tain community	As above	See below	Would not support if above issue was not agreed on	As above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
49	Yes	As an individual		I wish to respond positively to the Highland Council's consultation on the development of Solar Arrays on common good land in Tain. However, this is on condition that the Tain Common Good Fund receives at least 50% of the benefit this scheme will generate and the Council's half is ring-fenced to deliver a new pool and TRACC facilities in Tain. I feel it is essential that Tain and surrounding communities continue to benefit from the much needed facilities delivered by TRACC and the pool.	If funds generated are used to help build a new pool and TRACC facilities, then the benefits to the population of Tain and surrounding communities will be invaluable.	No	It is absolutely imperative that the pool and TRACC survive in order to help people's health and well being, social opportunities, essential swimming skills etc. etc. Please help us achieve our goal.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
50	Yes	As an individual		Good idea for the local people of Tain	Yes, Tain common good fund should receive at least 50% of the income this scheme will generate. A clear commitment then from Highland Council to work then with the people of Tain and Easter Ross to deliver a swimming pool and TRACC facilities with their half of the financial benefit ring fenced for this purpose also.	None	Nil	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

51	I live in pitcalnie and Tain is my nearest town	As an individual		This is a good use of property and align with the net zero vision	The benefits must be that 50% of the income generated must be given to the Tain Common Good Fund	The benefits must be that 50% of the income generated must be given to the Tain Common Good Fund and I would hope that the council ring fence the other 50% to deliver a new pool and TRACC facilities.	A clear commitment from the Highland Council needs to be made to work with the people of Tain and Easter Ross to deliver a pool and TRACC facilities- as noted above the revenue should be split 50% to Tain Common Good and the council 50% ring fenced to deliver a new pool and TRACC facilities	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
52	Yes	As an individual		I am in agreement with solar array utilising the income towards a new pool and TRACC facilities	Tain cannot be without a swimming pool and TRACC facilities	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
53	Yes	As an individual		As long as community benefits as other community's benefit from wind farms in their areas at this instants benefit TRACC	TRACC should benefit	No as Tain benefits	Highland council have to be transparent	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
54	Yes	As an individual		Positive for the town if 50% or more of the income generated is shared with the Tain Common Good Fund	Will help generate much needed funding for TRACC campaign	The proposed split of generated income. Needs to be 50% or more	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
55	Yes	As an individual		Profits to be for the benefit of residents of Tain. Also to fund the TRACC project	For the community to help keep locals fit through exercise and promotion of healthily living	Profits re distributed outwith Tain	Great proposal as long as locals see the benefits	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
56	Yes	As an individual		I am all for it	It should help to fund and run tracc	All monies raised to be kept for tain	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
57	Yes	As an individual		I agree to use land for solar power and profits of at least 50% for fundraising for TRACC new sports centre. Also the other 50% to be ring fenced for Tain community.	The money raised needs to be used towards a new sports centre which will be utilised from the very young to the elderly, right across the board. It's quite shocking Tain does not have a sports and swimming centre. Somewhere for young and old. People use TRACC at the moment from quite a distance.	No, as long as it is competent people working and managing the project, understand what's required.	We should have had a centre many years ago. Especially for the younger generation, give them somewhere to go, an interest. Our young people are our future In the HIGHLANDS. This is not only for Tain but also for all the small towns and villages in the area.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
58	Yes	As an individual		Ok so long as any profits are put back into the Tain community	I think it makes good sense using land for this type of project.	Assuming that due diligence has been reviewed and agreed, then there should be no concern.	The area needs to be fully protected to avoid trespassing.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The sites would be fenced to discourage public access, using standard metal security fencing and CCTV will be installed to allow remote monitoring of the site and for security and health and safety reasons.

59	Spinningdale	As an individual		I am all for it.	If it means keeping TRACC going then it is a huge positive for the people of Tain.	No	This to me is a win-win situation - we are utilising renewable energy AND keeping our community centre enabling the good folk of Tain and its environs to keep fit, healthy and socialise with friends.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
60	Worked in Tain since 2009	As an individual		I feel that the land should be used for the community for something like allotments, a community orchard or food growing space	Due to the size of the plot, I can't see that it will provide a significant income to benefit the community	Communal public land is precious and could be put to a better use for the benefit of Tain's population	The land should be used to bring people together	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
61	Yes	As an individual		It could be used for good	Should be to benefit tain only	No	The revenue should be used to fund re building of Tracc and maintaining its future.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
62	No	As an individual		It is a good "green" idea	I would expect all income generated to go towards the local community. Especially funding a new swimming pool.	Time frame.	It should benefit the local community.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
63	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour if Tain Common Good Fund receive at least 50% of the income that the scheme will generate.	I would like to see Tain swimming pool and TRACC facilities benefit from the proposal. My two daughters and myself learnt to swim in this pool and I continue to go to keep fit classes at TRACC three times a week and my health and wellbeing really benefit from the regular exercise and social side of going to these classes.	I am concerned that the people of Tain won't benefit directly from the placement of Solar Arrays on Tain Common Good Ground and would like a clear commitment from the council that their half of the income is ring-fenced to deliver a new pool and TRACC facilities to the people of Tain.	It would be very upsetting for the people of Tain and surrounding villages not to have a swimming pool and keep fit facilities as this is very important for physical and mental health. Facilities in Invergordon and Alness would not be able to cope with the influx of the extra Tain residents using their facilities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
64	Portmahomack	As an individual		I am all for using the ground for solar arrays as long as the benefits or income accrue to projects which benefit Tain	Strongly in favour and funds should go to providing a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities	It should be for the benefit of the wider community in Easter Ross	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
65	Yes	As an individual		This is a very positive proposal and will generate money towards the community.	Highland council should commit to 50% of funds generated from the panels going to the Tain common good fund. This in turn should be used towards funding of TRACC facilities. The pool and fitness suite are so vital for our community .	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
66	Yes	As an individual		Its a start to gegting on the way to bring the town a much needed new swimming pool	Yes it feels its the first time renewable energy will benefit local people	Nope	I hope this goes ahead	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

67	Yes	As an individual		The use of common good property should benefit the people of Tain in its entirety. A amount for the maintenance of the solar arrays is acceptable but the rest of the money goes back into the community.	My concern is the majority of the money will not benefit Tain. We need a new TRACC facility. This could be funded by this.	Who gets to decided where the money will go?	This is Tains common good land and should only benefit Tain.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
68	Yes	As an individual		Tain Commin Good should receive at least 50% ofthe income.	Income will deliver new pool and leisure centrey	Only goes ahead if ringfenced income guaranteed	Should not go ahead unless income for Tain CG guaranteed	If income for TCG guaranteed	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
69	Yes	As an individual		It's a very good idea.	That any funds raised would go towards a new swimming pool as this is a necessity for the town.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
70	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour of the proposal as long as half the proceed are ring fenced towards a new pool and tracc facilities then can be used to deliver matched funding for the pool	delivery of funding for new swimming pool and tracc facilities	no	no	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
71	No	As an individual		I support the proposal for the development of a solar array on common good land in Tain but the Tain Common Good Fund must receive at least 50% of the income this scheme will generate. The Highland Council must demonstrate a clear commitment to delivering the new swimming pool and TRACC facilities by ensuring that 50% of the income from the Solar Array goes to the Common Good and the Council's 50% is ring-fenced to deliver the new leisure facilities. The TRACC campaign group could then use Solar Array income to deliver match funding for the pool.	See above	See above	See above	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
72	Yes	As an individual		I agree to the change of use, on the condition at least 50% of the income goes towards Tain Common Good Fund and the council's 50% is ring-fenced to deliver a new pool and TRACC facilities. If this was not possible then I would not support the change of use.	See above	I would be concerned if the income did not benefit Tain.	see above	supportive with the conditions above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

73	Yes	As an individual		I believe that it is only acceptable to utilize common good property if it benefits the community. Otherwise you are taking away from a community which is already at risk of losing amenities such as the leisure centre (TRACC). If there is nothing gained by the community for this project then I disagree that it should go ahead. The process claims to increase/support biodiversity, however there needs to be supporting evidence 220 solar panels will provide a suitable habitat for wildlife, more so than the current grazing land. I'm also against the proposal if it affects the outlook from properties on Morangie Road to an unattractive field full of industrial equipment causing light pollution to a dark skies area in Tain. There needs to be assurance that this proposal is not going to devalue properties or have any negative impact where these solar panels/battery stores can be seen/heard or lighting is used.	It's only beneficial if the community gains from it and no one is directly affected by the solar panels or battery farm impacting the view from their property and subsequently devaluing it. Otherwise, the project is completely unfair on those affected and there is no point in proceeding. What assurances are there that the community will benefit and it will not be visible or affect properties on Morangie Road?	Yes, if it devalues properties on Morangie Road by having a view of solar panels and battery storage units instead of grazing land and the shore. Also, require assurances that properties in the area are not going to be impacted by additional light pollution or noise from this. Also have an issue if the project doesn't benefit the community and the funds raised from it aren't reinvested in Tain itself. I don't understand how it is claimed the grazing land isn't used when there are horses currently grazing on it??	Why haven't those on Morangie Road or Academy street not been consulted directly when they will likely be able to see these solar panels and unsightly battery storage units. Surely this will affect their outlook and the value of their homes when the views are part of the property.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. During the planning application, the standard planning public consultation process will be undertaken, and members of the public can comment and submit representations in relation to the detailed plans and technical aspects of the proposals. These will be considered as part of the planning determination which is a separate process to the common good consultation.
74	Yes	As an individual		It is a worthwhile project providing the Tain common good fund receives at least 50% of the income generated, which will be for the benefit of all Tain Residents	As Above	That a fair share of income generated is agreed before any decision made	The income generated should be ring fenced to help deliver a new pool and Tracc facilities	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
75	Yes	As an individual		This seems to be a positive step forward in terms of using renewable energy if the funds raised are used to support local needs such as the investment in a new Leisure facility.	Community investment as stated above	I worry the funds would be used for other investments decided by highland council and not by local majority.	I'd like to see a promise to ring fence funds obtained through this scheme to be solely used in the investment of a new leisure facility	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
76	Yes	As an individual		I agree that there should be a Solar Array development on Tain common good land as long as the Common good fund receives at least 50% of the income generated and the Council uses this to deliver a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities.	As long as the money is used as I have indicated above it will provide a continued resource for the community's health and wellbeing.	I'm concerned that if the income generated does not go to the common good fund Tain will lose a very necessary swimming pool and TRACC facilities	When the government is concerned on providing facilities to improve the nation's health and wellbeing I think that it is shortsighted to let a community lose the pool and gym through lack of money	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

77	Yes	As an individual		I approve.	I would like any income generated from the scheme to benefit the Tain Community. Specifically, I would like to see 50% go to the Tain Common Good Fund and 50% be ring-fenced by Highland Council to go towards the cost of a replacement pool and leisure facilities to replace TRACC.	No.	No.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
78	No	As an individual		As a local resident of the area surrounding Tain who supports local businesses and benefits from many of HC facilities and Tain's community resources and social activities, I am largely in favour of the Proposal but only if the Tain Common Good Fund receives at least 50% of the income generated by the scheme.	As someone who both supports and benefits from many of Tain's facilities and social activities, I would like to see a clear commitment from HC to give 50% of the income to Tain Common Good Fund and to ring fence their own 50% of the income to work with the people of Tain and Easter Ross to deliver a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities in Tain. This way the TRACC campaign group could then use Solar Array income to deliver match funding for the pool.	I only support this Proposal if the Tain Common Good Fund receives 50% of the income generated and the HC use the other 50% of the income generated to deliver a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities in Tain, by working alongside the TRACC campaign group.	I urge the HC to use this proposed change of use to directly and unreservedly finance the provision of a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities for the town of Tain and the many other folk who live around, support and have benefitted from the present facilities.	Only if wholly used to provide a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
79	Surrounding Area - Seaboard Villages	As an individual		I would support the proposal to utilise common good property ONLY if 100% of any/all benefit from the scheme is ring-fenced to support the local Tain community.	ANY/ALL income generated from the Solar Array should be ring-fenced to support the finance costs of borrowing for the new replacement swimming pool and fitness centre.	The local community does not obtain 100% of project benefits.	If Highland Council do not commit 100% of any/all income generated from this project will be ring-fenced to support Tain's replacement swimming pool and fitness centre I cannot support the Solar PV Arrays Proposal at Blairliath grazings common good land in Tain .	Support conditional on HC commitment that 100% of project income will be ring-fenced to support the replacement swimming pool and fitness centre in Tain.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
80	Yes	As an individual		Agreeable providing any financial benefit to the town be ringfenced only towards a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities	The benefit, providing it is for a new swimming pool and TRACC facilities will be of unmeasurable benefit to the area	None providing Tain benefits from a new pool	A commitment to fund the pool should be matched by THC from their benefit to this proposal	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

81	Yes	As an individual		Utilising the land for the benefit of the people as a whole community with obvious direct usage for the towns communal gain. These are idle areas at present, yes they are rented as short term grass park lets for part of the year but this does not improve the area as there is no gain to the short term lease holder in improving the areas. Utilising the land to its renewable energy potential would give a good image for Tain as a community in supporting renewable energy as a benefit to the community it provides for. Short term grazing lets would not lend or give as much value to the community as Solar PV panels/rays would.	If the financial gain from the change of land use was to be put back into Tain as a town and could help with improving infrastructure it would be a very beneficial project which would have majority backing of the community. It would be a visible and positive move towards green(er) energy and all for the benefit of the town it is sited in.	No	Tain needs improvement. If this development can help fund infrastructure and secure guaranteed income going forward this will all in turn aid our local services in need of improvement including our much loved TRACC whose importance cannot be diminished.	Supportive of the Proposal	As the proposal is at an early stage, the financial amount is yet to be determined. The value of the land currently as grazing lets are - Tain South (4-acre site) is £600 per annum and Tain North (13-acre site) is £1,700. It is likely the income potential for the Tain Common Good Fund will increase as a result of the change of use proposal.
82	Yes	As an individual		Should go ahead	It will help secure the future of the swimming pool and will be good for the environment	None	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
83	No	As an individual		I am in favour of using the common good property providing the change results in a benefit to Tain. It is only right property which belonged to Tain common good should now reflect this and be for the benefit of Tain	I think ecological benefits and money raised are positive.	Main concern the money raised ends up in the hands of the Highland council rather than Tain.	At least 50% of moneys raised from the common good fund should go to Tracc to replace the swimming pool and maintain and improve the other Tracc facilities. I worked in Tain for 40 years and still use Tracc facilities 5 days a week. I am supportive of this development subject to criteria of 50% or more going to Tracc.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
84	Yes	As an individual		I think what is proposed is a very good idea	Delighted that TRACC will benefit, keeping a swimming pool and exercise facilities in Tain is essential.	None	None	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
85	Yes	As an individual		I support the change of use provided that the money raised is earmarked for the new proposed leisure facilities, the new TRACC which Tain needs to be able to provide for its residents of all ages, and those in the surrounding communities.	Positive in generating an income to support badly needed leisure facilities to help keep all ages of the population active.	Worried that the monies generated may be syphoned off into the bottomless pit of other pressing council needs.	I am in favour of the proposal, provided that the money generated by it is earmarked for the new leisure facilities that Tain so desperately needs.	I am supportive of the proposal but only if the money raised is earmarked for the new leisure facilities that Tain desperately needs.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
86	Yes	As an individual		If the money is split 50/50 with TRACC i have no issue	It could benefit raising money to save tracc	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

87	Balintore	As an individual		Good but only if the council use their portion to go to new track facilities and swimming pool on a 50 - 50 basis.	No other than stated in question 5	None other than the funds raised being used for something other than new track facility's and a new pool for tain. Badly needed.	Nkne	Only if it goes ahead on a 50 - 50 basis	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
88	Yes	As an individual		Happy with the proposal providing that the revenue is split 50 - 50 with the TRACC campaign to raise money for a new leisure service	This would be an ideal opportunity to support the community's wishes to raise funds for new leisure service	Revenue needs to be used to support community wishes to raise funds for leisure services. 50 - 50 split	No	Supportive if revenue are split with TRACC campaign	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
89	Yes	As an individual		I feel that use of this land for the proposed purpose is good, particularly as there is no income for the community should it be left in it's current state.	The benefit will be financial which should be used to replace current TRACC facilities which is an essential part of the community	Transparency in relation to the income and expenditure	Any income from the facility must be used for the replacement of TRACC or I will not support the project	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
90	Yes	As an individual		I would like this to go ahead as it will be beneficial for the community.	It will greatly benefit the community in Tain.	No none at all.	No.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
91	Yes	As an individual		I do not believe this is a reasonable project to undertake unless the residents are going to benefit from having the solar panels there. Also the wild life it may displace.	None	As mentioned before the wildlife and the cost of the project.	None	Against the Proposal	Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints, there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.
92	Local at Nigg	As an individual		Great idea. Very happy	Allow local swimming pool which is essential for our community. My children are in the swim club and as a dietitian the health benefits for the local people is essential.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
93	Yes	As an individual		It seems like an excellent use of ground that is not currently being utilised otherwise, especially if it will generate extra income for Tain Common Good fund or other essential infrastructure for the Tain community.	I hope to see the revenue being divided equally between the Tain Common Good Fund, and the proposed new Swimming pool and leisure facilities to replace TRACC.	No, provided that the conditions above can be met.	Nothing to add to the above.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
94	Yes	As an individual		I think that the proposal would make good use of the property.	I believe that on-going revenue for Tain could be of considerable benefit to the community. In particular there is a need to fund a swimming pool and leisure facilities for the new school in Tain to replace the current TRACC facilities.	I am not aware of any.	I view the proposals positively because I support the introduction of extended renewable energy resources.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

95	Fearn	As an individual		I would ONLY support the proposal IF there is a 50:50 spit of all revenues between The Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund and provided that ALL of the Council's portion of this is committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Per previous answer.	Per previous answer.	I would ONLY support the proposal IF there is a 50:50 spit of all revenues between The Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund and provided that ALL of the Council's portion of this is committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I would ONLY support the proposal IF there is a 50:50 spit of all revenues between The Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund and provided that ALL of the Council's portion of this is committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
96	No	As an individual		I think it is a great idea to raise funds for local services and people from the surrounding area.	I hope it will benefit the local community and all the people who use TRACC leisure facilities which is of great help and need to us all. It certainly benefits the health and well being of many people from Tain and the surrounding areas.	No issues or concerns.	No.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
97	Yes	As an individual		Happy the site is to be used as long as it benefits TRACC and delivers new pool.	Would like to see Tain benefit from this.	No	No	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
98	Yes	As an individual		Fully agree with the 50% going towards TRACC	As above	No	As above	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
99	Yes	As an individual		As long as the community benefits from any cash returns from it. Especially towards funding for a swimming pool	Not really	As stated earlier funding from the proposal should go to the community	It was almost criminal to spend £72,000,000 on a new school in a seaside town without a swimming pool. It very important that children learn to swim and the older generation have the swimming pool for their own activities. TRACC at present is a very much needed facility and the funding from this project would go a long way to provide it.	Only if Tain benefits from it	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

100	Yes	As an individual		I believe that if common good land is to be used for this development then ALL profits/revenue should benefit the local community of Tain. I agree with the community councils proposal that 50% of the revenue should go to the Tain common good fund and 50% to highland council ON THE CONDITION that this money is FULLY committed to providing new TRACC facilities including it's ongoing running and maintenance costs for the full term of this project.	The financial benefits of this project should be shared by the people of Tain and not absorbed into the Highland Councils funds.	I would be very interested to see environmental impact studies carried out, especially as the land is near the waterfront.	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and environmental impacts will be assessed as part of this process. See also response to ID16.
101	Yes	As an individual		Supportive but only if the council commit to using the funds to maintain the swimming pool and sports facilities in Tain.	TRACC campaign	Document does not make clear what percentage of income will go to the Tain Common Good Fund.	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
102	Yes	As an individual		I am fully in support of the Proposal to utilise the Blairliath Grazings common good land for the development of solar PV arrays. This is an excellent use of public land that will deliver long-term benefits to the Tain community and the wider area. The project will generate renewable electricity locally, supporting key infrastructure such as the Scottish Water Wastewater Treatment Works at Tain North and the Glenmorangie Distillery at Tain South, reducing reliance on grid electricity and increasing energy resilience. The development will also provide a significant, long-term revenue stream for the Tain Common Good Fund, which can be reinvested in community facilities such as the TRACC Tain Community Complex, including swimming pools and sports amenities, helping to improve public health, recreation, and wellbeing.	The Proposal offers multiple clear and lasting benefits for the Tain community, the environment, and local infrastructure: Local renewable energy generation: Electricity produced at Tain North will directly supply the Scottish Water Wastewater Treatment Works, and Tain South will power the Glenmorangie Distillery. This reduces reliance on the national grid, increases local energy resilience, and supports essential services and businesses. Financial benefit for the Common Good Fund: The project will create a long-term revenue stream over at least 25 years, generating income that can be reinvested into community facilities such as the TRACC Tain Community Complex, including swimming pools, sports amenities, and other	I have no major objections to the Proposal and fully support it. The planned use of the sites is well thought out, and the benefits clearly outweigh any minor concerns. The only points to note are: Public access: As the sites will be fenced for safety and security, public access will be restricted. While this is necessary, it could be an opportunity for the Council to provide educational signage or occasional community engagement visits to showcase renewable energy and biodiversity enhancements. Visual impact: The solar arrays will alter the appearance of the sites. Careful planning, including natural screening or landscaping, could help minimise visual impact and ensure the development blends with the surrounding environment.	I strongly commend Highland Council for this forward-thinking Proposal. The development of solar PV arrays at Blairliath Grazings represents an excellent example of using common good land responsibly to benefit the community, the environment, and local infrastructure. The project supports Tain's transition to renewable energy, reduces CO2 emissions, enhances biodiversity, and generates long-term income for the Tain Common Good Fund, which can be reinvested into community facilities such as the TRACC Tain Community Complex swimming pool and sports amenities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.

102	*continued			<p>Additionally, the Proposal includes a 10% biodiversity net gain through planting wildflowers, native trees, and installing wildlife nesting boxes, contributing to the local environment and wildlife. The careful planning to allow continued grazing on Tain North demonstrates a balanced approach that respects traditional land use while maximising benefits from renewable energy.</p> <p>Overall, this Proposal represents a forward-thinking, sustainable, and community-focused project that aligns with Highland Council's Net Zero ambitions, supports local industry, and strengthens the long-term value of Tain's common good assets. I strongly encourage its approval.</p>	<p>recreational or educational projects, benefiting all residents.</p> <p>Environmental impact: The solar arrays will produce renewable energy, reducing CO2 emissions and contributing directly to Highland Council's Net Zero targets. This demonstrates responsible environmental stewardship using public land.</p> <p>Biodiversity enhancement: The project includes planting wildflowers, native tree species, and installing wildlife nesting boxes, delivering a 10% biodiversity net gain and supporting local wildlife habitats.</p> <p>Sustainable land use: At Tain North, the majority of the land will remain available for grazing, balancing traditional land use with modern renewable energy development.</p>	<p>Community leadership and innovation: The project positions - Tain as a forward-thinking, sustainable community, showcasing how common good land can deliver tangible environmental, social, and economic benefits for current and future generations.</p> <p>Overall, the Proposal demonstrates a well-rounded approach that maximises benefits for both people and the environment, making it a highly positive and forward-looking initiative.</p> <p>Future land flexibility: At Tain North, most of the land will remain available for grazing, which is excellent. For Tain South, ongoing consideration of how the land might support flexible future community use alongside the solar arrays would be beneficial.</p> <p>Overall, these are minor considerations and do not outweigh the significant social, environmental, and economic benefits of the Proposal. I am fully supportive of the development proceeding.</p>	<p>I particularly welcome the balance shown between renewable energy development and continued traditional land use, such as grazing at Tain North, and the inclusion of biodiversity improvements such as wildflowers, native trees, and wildlife nesting boxes.</p> <p>Overall, this Proposal demonstrates strong community, environmental, and economic benefits, positioning Tain as a sustainable, forward-looking community. I fully support its approval and encourage Highland Council to proceed with the development.</p>		
103	Yes	As an individual		Better using for community use	The benefits will be very welcome for our town	No issue or concern	No comment	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
104	No	As an individual		Acceptable	Yes happy	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
105	Ospisdale, Clashmore	As an individual		I support the proposal but this is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Proposal will benefit Tain community provided that 50% of the revenue goes to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Council's 50% is fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	As stated above, no concerns provided 50% of the revenue goes to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Council's 50% is fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	No	Only supportive on basis as set out above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
106	Yes	As an individual		Good use of common good property	Council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	As above	No	Supportive but with above condition for TRACC	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
107	Yes	As an individual		It is an excellent project for the future making good use of natural resources	There will be great benefit for young people and future generations - it will help the immediate need for a proper swimming pool as well as other community gains over the years	It could take too long to implement - it needs to proceed with minimum delay and within well planned timelines	Go for it!	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
108	Yes	As an individual		I'm in agreement	Would like to see Tain get new swimming pool and gym facilities	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
109	Yes	As an individual		A hundred percent	For security for future generations	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.

110	Yes	As an individual		Excellent use. Positively support the proposal.	As per circular the income generated requires to have 50% going to Tain Common Good Fund with the Council's 50% allocation going to new TRACC facilities.	None as long as my answer to question 6 is respectfully followed.	A chance for Tain community to benefit in many ways is refreshing and would enrich the lives of many re. leisure facilities and social cohesion in support of this proposal.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
111	Yes	As an individual		Agree	Solar farms can also continue to be used as grazings. Has this been considered?	Ensure that adequate archaeological surveys are carried out as there is a strong likelihood of mesolithic activity on the raised beach. Evidence is suggested on Tain links.	No.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and historical and environmental impacts will be assessed as part of this process.
112	Yes	As an individual		Accept the proposal if it provides benefits for the town	The profits of having the development divided between Tain Common Good and the rest to be to support TRACC	Not unless it has no local benefits	It was not very easy to find this survey and there has not been much time before the deadline	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
113	Yes	As an individual		I am against solar panels taking over this land.	No as they are too far away and only 'potential'.	I have concerns about losing valuable land to solar panels.	No	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process
114	Yes	As an individual		I think this is a positive move dependant on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund asnd the Councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	This must be good thing for the area as long as the revenue stays in thge Tain area	All revenues must be retained in ther Tain Area	See 6 and 7 above	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
115	Yes	As an individual		Great	Progress	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process
116	Yes	As an individual		There is a need to weigh the current amenity of the land against the benefits to the local community. What surveys have been taken in all seasons of current use by locals as an amenity for residents or agricultural businesses? If this hasn't been done for a 12 months period, it needs to be. What are the current results of the ecological survey of flora and fauna diversity? How will the planting guarantee that it becomes established over time? How have the fauna such as rabbits, ground nesting and feeding birds been accommodated in this scheme?	The TRACC facility is an essential support, resource and amenity. The pool is the only one available unless you are prepared to travel by car. The funds generated by the array could upgrade the pool to take disabled especially children from St Duthus special needs school. An ageing population needs affordable access to exercise, fitness and recreational ports facilities. The fortnightly banking hub is another essential facility following the closure of all 4 of our local bank branches.	That consultation has been poorly advertised. No details of potential cash generation. Has a reduced energy tariff for residents been considered.	We need more progress reports, perhaps by flyers through residents' letter boxes.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and environmental impacts will be assessed as part of this process. Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site. See also response to ID16.
117	Yes	As an individual		In support AS LONG as the proposed 50% profits goes to TRACC	Environmental and the benefit to TRACC should they get half of the profits	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
118	Yes	As an individual		To benefit the town and surrounding area	Benefit the people of the town and district	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.

119	Yes	As an individual		Good idea only if the money is split 50/50 between Tain common good fund and HC committed it's half to the new TRACC facilities.	50/50 split between Tain common good fund and HC's half being committed to TRACC new facilities.	Only the approval of the above being predicted on the funding split stated previously.	The money must be returned to Tain via the common good fund and new TRACC facilities, in a 50/50 split.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
120	Yes	As an individual		A very good idea	Proceeds to go to benefit the Royal Burgh of Tain especially the building of a new swimming pool and recreation centre replacing the existing TRACC .	None	Ensure that all proceeds from Solar Array project are spent in Tain	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
121	Yes	As an individual		Great idea. Get it done.	It all sounds very positive and a no brainer.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
122	Yes	As an individual		It would be good to see this land used as a solar farm. Bringing in a well needed revenue to both the Highland Council & Tain Common Good Fund.	Solar is a sustainable source of power & who ever the receiver is, will benefit from cheaper electricity. Hope one will be the sewage work, thus reducing the costing to Highland Council. Whom may then pass on the saving to Tain Council tax payers. Hopefully the revenue earned by Highland Council will be spent in Tain, & not kept for spending elsewhere in the highlands.	My biggest concern would be the security of the site. As an a Electrician I know the dangers of exposed solar farms. Firstly to humans but also to wildlife. Fences should be high enough to stop Deer jumping in. Plus going underground to prevent fox & burrowing animals gaining entre. Wildlife will chew on the cables, deer could damage the solar panels too.. Cctv can be set to activate alarms, to warn off humans & wildlife outside the fences. Access for emergency services, should be considered. Battery systems are failing & fires break out. These type of batteries are very difficult when on fire to defuse. Carefully consideration should be given to the location of the battery packs. The type of ground they are mounted on should be non conbustable material. Glass land fires can easily spread, this I would imagine will be a big concern to the Railway. Maybe a self contained fire system should be installed within the battery compartments, to extinguish any fires...	Can this be looked upon as a trial project. Future projects could easily be installed on Council owned land in other areas of Tain. Can SSE look into the feedback system for future Solar farm installation projects. If homes can use the feedback facility onto the National Grid, then projects like this or future projects should be able to.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and safety concerns will be assessed as part of this process. Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.
122	<i>*continued</i>					& alarms to notify authorities. Maintenance is vital to keep the panels clean & grass cutting. Can this be completed a local contractor, instead of a central belt/ Inverness contractor. Can the Council propose local contractors, as much as possible, to complete the work. Too many installation contracts go to large Southern companies.			

123	Yes	As an individual		I think it is beneficial as a means to raise money for the gain common good fund and the fundraising effort by the community for a new TRACC. 50% should go to common good fund and 50% should go to tracc. My support is dependent on this.	Opportunity to make money towards improving facilities and opportunities in Tain, including a new leisure centre. More solar panel projects etc should be used to generate funds.	That the money will disappear to the council and we will see nothing from it. It is important that Tain benefits from this development	Wherever the money goes, the council must be transparent about it	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
124	Yes	As an individual		Very good proposal.	Hopefully help the Tracc Campaign to save swimming pool.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
125	Yes	As an individual		For the proposal	Help yo cover cost of new facility for the use of tain comunity	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
126	Yes	As an individual		Good way to raise revenue to help with costs for new community complex	As mentioned above help to cover costs for new facility	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
127	Yes	As an individual		I support to the proposal provided that all the revenue realised is invested back into the local community	Yes the revenue realised should be split 50% between the common good fund and the councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	Yes that the local community will lose out on income raised from the proposal, the land will be lost to the community for proposed 25 years, so I think that 100% of the revenue should be returned to the local community	Its seems that every time you look there are energy projects being built all over the highlands and the last people to benefit from any of them are the people who live and work here.	Supportive depending that revenue realised is split 50% to common good fund and council 50% is fully committed to new TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
128	Yes	As an individual		Great idea, get on with it 😊	Cheap electricity	No	No. Any profits to go towards new swimming pool for Tain.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
129	No	As an individual		Good if it provides benefit financially for the good of Tain.	Any profits made or share of profits should go towards the refurbishment costs of TRACC facility	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
130	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour of the proposal as long as the profits are used for the common good of people in Tain. One of the most urgent needs in Tain is the future provision of Swimming pool and sports facilities for local people. This developement could ensure this vital way of maintaining the physical and mental health of people in Tain, of all ages, is secure for the future.	I understand that grazing of animals such as sheep can continue in fields where solar farms are sited. This should be explored as I presume grass cutting will otherwise be an issue.	There is a risk that the common good fund revenue could become part of the general Highland council budget and I would like the revenue to be ring fenced for projects in Tain, specifically the swimming pool.	no	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
131	Yes	As an individual		To be used for the tracc campaign. 50 percent for the Tain common good find and 50 percent for the new tracc facilities.	Save tracc!To be used for the tracc campaign. 50 percent for the Tain common good find and 50 percent for the new tracc facilities.	?	No	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

132	Yes	As an individual		My support is dependant on 50 percent of the revenue going to the Tain common good fund and the councils 50 percent being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	The proposal would only be beneficial is 50% of revenue went to Tain common good fund. And if the councils 50 percent was fully committed to TRACCs new facilities	My only issue would be if the TAIN COMMON GOOD FUND did not receive 50% of the revenue and if the council didn't give their 50% to new TRACC facilities	The community of Tain must benefit from this proposal. The revenue generated needs to go back into the community.	By support is dependant on the above actions being met.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
133	Yes	As an individual		Could bring beneficial revenue to the area	Only that the revenue be put back into the community	That the revenue will not be used for community benefit	I can only support this proposal if there is a 50:50 split of all revenues between Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund AND that ALL of the councils portion is committed to the development of the new TRACC facilities.	I can only support this proposal if there is a 50:50 split of all revenues between Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund AND that ALL of the councils portion is committed to the development of the new TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
134	Yes	As an individual		I support the proposal dependant on 50% of the revenue going to Tain common good fund and the councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	May bring much needed revenue to our town	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
135	Yes	As an individual		If it is Tain common good land the money should be used for Tain only !! Not roundabouts at tomich !!!	Yes. To build a new swimming pool asap	The money will be spent elsewhere other than Tain	Making use of grazing ground that belongs to Tain for spending elsewhere which the government should be financing	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
136	Yes	As an individual		Fine if the electric money goes into the town for the likes off swimming pool for the community	For Tain	Where the money goes	Common good find is for Tain not funding likes of the water board or glenmorangie	For the people of tain	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.
137	Yes	As an individual		Generally favourable if benefits come back to town	Town needs TRACC ,commitment to renewing facilities should be linked to acceptance of above	No	No	Supportive if benefits come back to Tain	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
138	Yes	As an individual		An excellent idea	It will be benefit for the people of Tain and the surrounding areas	None	It is essential for Tain & Area to keep TRACC & Swimming Pool	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

139	Yes	As an individual		Great idea to be out to use for the local Community	Beneficial for all of Tain and surrounding areas. We would be lost without Tracc/swimming pool It has been used by the public for many generations and hope it Will continue	No, as long as it's managed properly and no hidden agenda.	This is essential for all ages, and we can't lose sight of the benefits.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
140	Yes	As an individual		No objection provided Tain benefits	New TRACC	Only that benefits could go elsewhere	No	Supportive with local commitment	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
141	Yes	As an individual		Good to use land for something productive.	As long as all profits stay in Tain.	Not just for TRAC, but to help other local groups.	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
142	Yes	As an individual		I fully support this type of development, however my support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	Yes we need to de-carbonise our fuel systems and this could help support a vital local swimming pool as the maintenance of these facilities is usually the most difficult to sustain.	That the council may use our local land to benefit only the council with no consideration for local facilities	This is a very good use of this type of land and could benefit the local community in an ethical and environmentally sound way	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
143	Yes	As an individual		A good use of areas of grazing land which will benefit the community without causing a blot on the landscape.	As long as the benefits are not caught up in red tape and will last for a long time to benefit all.	Make sure that all contracts are safe and to the benefit of the community	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and safety concerns will be assessed during this process.
144	Yes	As an individual		I have mixed views. My main concern is that once a slice of common good 'green space' land has been taken over for commercial purposes then there is no going back - it gone. Green space is so important and maybe should be left undeveloped	The only benefit of the proposal would be if there was a significant and permanent financial return for the town	I am concerned that most of the profits will benefit private commerce	I'm in favour of a recent proposal that I saw, suggesting that no less than 50% of the profits be used to support TRACC and the swimming pool, but there are other facilities that need funding locally, too. The town is very run down in general and needs so much money spent on roads, pavements, steps (Castle Brae), communal gardens, play parks, etc.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See also response to ID16.
145	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour but my support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	No	No	I am in favour but my support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
146	Yes	As an individual		Yes a good idea	I believe 50% of the revenue should go towards TRACC	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
147	Yes	As an individual		Agree with this proposal to utilise this common good property in Tain	I would wish the revenue received from this proposal benefits the Tain Common Good Fund	Yes I think the Tain Community should be consulted regarding what will be the benefit to Tain TRACC to save the Swimming Pool and Sporting Facilities in Tain before decision taken at council level.	I recommend Tain TRACC and SPORTING FACILITIES be saved from closure as this is a well used complex in the town.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

148	Yes	As an individual		I agree that Tain Common Good Land be used for the solar array development providing that income from the solar array is ring-fenced for the new replacement swimming pool and fitness centre in Tain.	I believe that the financial benefits from the solar array should be ring-fenced to cover the finance costs of borrowing for the new replacement TRACC facility. There is clear support for a new TRACC facility from the new Tain community, evidenced by over 750 people participating in surveys relating to the proposed TRACC closure. The solar array is a unique opportunity to meet the needs of this community through supporting a new facility. Ringfencing the money from the solar array for TRACC would be in keeping with Highland Council's Social Value Charter, which states that the renewables boom is 'an opportunity to secure inclusive growth and lasting benefits for all Highland communities'.	It is also in keeping with the general principles underlying community benefit funding from renewable energy in Scotland, where it is standard practice for local communities to receive direct financial benefit from renewable developments. I feel that the income from the solar arrays should be used to support the new TRACC facility, and not simply go into general council budgets or funding. I would be concerned about the solar arrays being developed that do not specifically serve the Tain community in this way.	My support for the solar array being developed on Common Good Land in Tain is conditional on the income being ringfenced to support the new TRACC facility. Should this not happen, I will withdraw my support for the solar array.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
149	Scotsburn	As an individual		I'm all for it as long as tain gets a new swimming pool and sports facilities	I think tain andthe surrounding community needs a sports facilities and swimming pool , for mental health , socialising, and fitness plus other benefits .	I would like to know where the other 50% is going and why is it not getting connected to the national grid	How long will it take to achieve this target , I'm sure that if you and your family , friends , used TRACC , it wouldn't if got to this state in the first place	Supportive of this as I'm not sure what else I can do ,	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
150	Yes	As an individual		Regarding the generation of electric you state you cannot put excess electricity to the grid but will be sold to local businesses?At what cost will it be sold and where will the profits go?	Yes there is benefits but this should have been connected to the grid, I honestly believe the electricity company that services the area should be forced to implement this. So that the project could maximise energy export only benefits the community	Grid Connection this should be reviewed, why cannot the electricity company supply battery storage to care home, schools, surgery etc and then these facilities could connect to cheap tariffs at 00:00am to 06:00am to charge and export and use the excess electricity from the solar farm to power them through the day if no solder energy is produced they run off there battery supply.	I don't believe that they cannot connect to the grid this should be mandatory for all electricity companies as they make massive profits.	Review proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.
151	Yes	As an individual		I am supportive of this, provided profits from the scheme is used to fund projects in the local area	Yes, it must be used to fund local projects	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
152	Yes	As an individual		The community needs to benefit directly from the project. Bringing Tain closer to having a new swimming pool would do this.	A positive move towards renewable energy.	Will there be any adverse effects on coastal wildlife?	Tain Community should benefit from the revenue. My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and environmental impacts will be assessed during this process. See also ID 16.

153	Yes	As an individual		50% should go to the new TRACC Facilities	If used to support TRACC all ages of the community would benefit.	No	Would only support if 50% of funds are committed to the new TRACC facilities	See above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
154	Yes	As an individual		While a proposal like this involves a considerable expense in setting up the PV array, and thus there would be a reasonable expectation of this staying in place for a considerable time, it effectively removes choice from residents of Tain over the next 25 years. While grazing possibly brings in smaller income from the land, it would be good to see the ground being used with a more direct impact on the people of Tain - at this point, there are so many hidden factors, such as how much money will be coming to the Common Good Fund (surely this should be public knowledge) over the next 25 years. However, there must be many other possible uses of land than grazing and energy generation, which would bring more good than a merely financial trickle, in encouraging the positive investment in the land, improving the soil and well-being of the whole community.	As I see it, the only evident direct benefit is a reliable source of renewable energy for the 2 off-takers named, and this is presumably at a cheaper rate than the National Grid would offer. I think this energy could be offered to residents of Tain and area, especially in a period when electricity costs are increasing substantially, despite the extent of energy generation across the Highlands. The benefits via the Common Good Fund are not at this point very clear.	My concerns are that our support for large business enterprises such as Scottish Water and Glenmorangie Distillery, via these PV arrays, comes at a cost which is less visible but more damaging, at the level of our community. Publicly owned land should be used to benefit the public, as large companies such as these don't readily share their considerable profits with those who pay for their services.	No	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID150. This is a Council-led proposal with the electricity being sold to the neighbouring businesses.
155	Yes	As an individual		Going to be support it as long as 50% is fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Going to be support it as long as 50% is fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Going to be support it as long as 50% is fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Going to support it as long as 50% is fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
156	Yes	As an individual		I support the above proposal ONLY, if the Highland Council guarantees to use the 50% share of revenue raised by Blarliath Solar Farm to fund the building of a new fitness centre and swimming pool at the Tain School Campus or a suitable site elsewhere in the town. Leisure activities in our rural areas are of utmost importance for the wellbeing of many different social & age groups, from children to pensioners, from yoga classes to swimming courses. This will be a worthwhile investment into the future of the greater Tain area AND its citizens by reviving an already popular leisure venue.	I support in general the generating of "green energy".	As lined out above the Council needs to guarantee its commitment towards reviving TRACC facilities.	No.	Support under the condition of the Councils commitment to use its share of revenue to revive TRACC facilities	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

157	Yes	As an individual		I am ambivalent as I fear it will look really ugly and cause environmental damage and any financial benefit will be leached out of the community. However, if Tain received 50 percent of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund I would feel better about it's location in Tain and feel it is an acceptable compromise.	If 50 percent of revenue went to the Tain Common Good Fund then this would be a benefit to Tain. This would Adequately offset the downsides of having the solar in our town.	Environmental degradation, building work, increased traffic, negative impact on scenery and noise would all be negative impact of building the solar PV. I also have concerns that Tain will be shafted by having the hassle of the PV located here but the financial benefits being located elsewhere.	Tain needs TRACC to continue so if the PV funded the swimming pool to continue in Tain I would support it.	Conditional support on 50 percent revenue going to Tain Common Good fund and the Councils 50 percent being fully committed to TRACC facilities including pool.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The development requires planning permission where technical aspects of the development will be assessed and scrutinsed. See also response to ID16.
158	I spend each weekend in Tain with my wife	As an individual		This is an excellent opportunity to use local resources to protect and support local resources. We need to be generating our own power, using it to supply amenities like the TRACC swimming pool. Surplus should be sold to the grid as an income stream for further developments	See above	My concern is that if we make the initial investment and enabling solar generation we need to protect this from predatory private commercial investment interest.	This is a significant opportunity to lead on community development. Let's get this right	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
159	Yes	As an individual		I support the proposal	50% of the revenue should go to Tain Common Good Fund and the Highland Councils 50% should be dedicated to the TRACC facility	None	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
160	Yes	As an individual		I support the use of common ground for this purpose however the proceeds should benefit the community	50% of the revenue should go to Tain Common Good Fund and the Highland Councils 50% should be dedicated to the TRACC facility	No concerns	Not at this yime	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
161	Portmahomack	As an individual		Can only support the proposal is 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good fund and 50% of revenue to the council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Can only support the proposal is 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good fund and 50% of revenue to the council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Can only support the proposal is 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good fund and 50% of revenue to the council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	As per above	Supportive if on the above terms	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
162	Yes	As an individual		Very important to get funds for new swimming pool and facilities.	Appears a great way to release funds for the good of the community.	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
163	Portmahomack	As an individual		Can only support the proposal is 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good fund and 50% of revenue to the council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Can only support the proposal is 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good fund and 50% of revenue to the council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Can only support the proposal is 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good fund and 50% of revenue to the council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Only as per above	Only if the above terms are adhered to	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

164	Hill of Fearn	As an individual		<p>I fully support the proposal ON condition that the revenue from any future solar array is divided equally between The Highland Council and the Tain Common Good Fund AND that the full amount of revenue accruing to The Highland Council is permanently committed to the development of new swimming pool, fitness and associated facilities in Tain.</p> <p>If these conditions are not fully met, then my response may be consider an objection to the proposal.</p>	<p>Provided the revenue from future development is committed to providing swimming and fitness facilities in Tain, the proposal will be of tremendous benefit to Tain and the surrounding communities.</p>	<p>My main concerns in planning terms would be: visual impact from the proposed solar array and associated infrastructure, potential fire risk from any associated battery storage. In the absence of significant community benefit, as outlined above, these concerns would be significant. However, if appropriate community benefit is achieved, then this would outweigh my concerns.</p>	No	<p>Supportive provided community benefit is agreed as described above. Otherwise I am against the proposal.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The development requires planning permission where technical aspects of the development will be assessed and scrutinsed. See also response to ID16.</p>
165	Yes	As an individual		All for the change	<p>Yes great opportunity for the the community to help fund pool etc</p>	No	No	<p>Supportive of the Proposal</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>
166	No	As an individual		<p>I would only support the Proposal if 50% of the profits from it return to the Tain Common Good Fund with the balance being ring fenced, in perpetuity, by Highland Council to fund the TRACC facility. If the above is not to be the case, then I oppose the Proposal.</p>	<p>If it is agreed that the Proposal goes ahead on the basis outlined above then my view is that the Common Good Fund benefits from the deal and the TRACC also benefits.</p>	<p>As noted above, I only support the Proposal on the basis as outlined in (5) above. If another solution for the sharing of profits is proposed then I object to the Proposal on the grounds of visual impact and from the risk of fire from the battery storage.</p>	No.	<p>I am supportive of the Proposal on the basis of community benefit as outlined in (5) above. If this is not the case then I am against the Proposal.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>
167	Yes	As an individual		Agree	<p>So long as any benefits are used for benefit of local community</p>	<p>That benefit will go to highland council coffers</p>	<p>Tain residents have had their say and taken action when highland council changed plans at new super school leaving out leisure facilities now need to redress this and common good funds being guaranteed will go a long way towards providing these facilities</p>	<p>Supportive of the Proposal</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>
168	Yes	As an individual		<p>I am in agreement with utilising the common good property. As long as Tain common good fund receives at least 50% of the income .</p>	<p>I am in agreement as long as the council ring marks the 50 % to deliver a new pool and tracc facilities.</p>	<p>My only issue is that they won't uphold their side and not give 50% and the council will spend it on something else .</p>	<p>Tain needs new upgraded sports facilities and pool , for the good of all the residents (young and old).</p>	<p>Supportive of the Proposal</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>
169	Lamington	As an individual		<p>I support the above proposal ONLY, if the Highland Council guarantees to use the 50% share of revenue raised by Blarliath Solar Farm to fund the building of a new fitness centre and swimming pool at the Tain School Campus or a suitable site elsewhere in the town.</p>	<p>I support in general the generating of "green energy ".</p>	<p>As lined out above the Council needs to guarantee its commitment towards reviving TRACC facilities.</p>	No	<p>Supportive of the Proposal</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>

170	Born and raised in Tain, now live local, outside of Tain	As an individual		I only support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I only support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I only support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I only support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
171	Yes	As an individual		I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities	ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
172	Yes	As an individual		I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	I ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
173	Yes	As an individual		The land is not used just now so will be a good use as long as all the funds go back into the community and especially the amount ear marked to keep TRACC open	Keeping TRACC open so that our children can swim and older people can meet and exercise.	Is all the money made in profit staying with the common good fund and where will the other amount which is not for TRACC be used	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
174	Yes	As an individual		Good use	Good as long as the funds support TRACC and the council match as promised	None	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

175	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour of this proposal provided any income accrued is ring fenced to be used to benefit the town of Tain. Primarily income should be prioritised to support the replacement swimming pool development being pursued locally.	Apart from the environment benefits the main benefit would be an opportunity to support capital and revenue funding for the projects beneficial to The Royal Burgh of Tain. First and foremost this should be assistance with funding towards the replacement swimming pool.	There must be clarity and transparency and clear communication as to how this development is to be taken forward.	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The project requires planning permission and therefore technical aspects of the development will be considered. Members of the public can comment as part of this process. See also response to ID16.
176	Yes	As an individual		I think this will be a good use of the land providing the power is not lost to the grid and positively benefits the local area	I hope that the energy and any profits will be used locally for projects like keeping a swimming pool for the town	I would be concerned about the possibility of pylons if a line was required to connect to the national grid	Please ensure that funds created through the scheme are used to pay for a sports and swimming pool facility	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
177	Yes	As an individual		I think this is a good use of common good property, but only if it benefits the area financially. 50% of monies raised should go to the common good fund	With 50% of monies raised going to the common good fund this will help fund new TRACC facilities which will have positive impact on health and wellbeing for locals	I would not agree with the proposal if it was less than a 50% split	N/a	Supportive providing 50% of monies raised through this project goes common good fund	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
178	Yes	As an individual		I am trying to balance what the Tain common good fund brings to Tain at present against the potential changes being proposed and benefits to Tain. (AS as aside... despite taking time to get involved... A) I did NOT find the consultation document (with link as above) easy to access or understand as got completely lost in it. B) It was also very frustrating that the flyer sent to households in the area had a dud e-mail address... www.highland.gov.uk/downloads . Why so convoluted/ ineptly organised?) My understanding is that the solar panels will bring in an increased amount of income to the Common Good Fund which is good.	I STRONGLY support using as much as possible for a large community void that is occurring in Tain.. IE The TRACC campaign for a new swimming pool and Sports facilities in Tain. I am a health professional and could write a lot about the looming lack of an appropriate sports centre for this area. It a central place for all ages' physical and psychological health and clearly needs to be brought to completion. I appreciate that funds are scarce and that the new Academy is a real asset for the local community however Tain will be going backwards if a new Sports facility is not built. (If a new hospital were to be built with some facilities omitted,	My main concern is that it is used for the local area... As unable to access or follow the consultation document this may be implicit in the document.	nil	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
178	<i>*continued</i>				(eg X ray machines) the public would feel short changed if they needed to start a campaign for funding for what is essential equipment that had pre -existed in the old hospital).				

179	Yes	As an individual		Excellent use of the sites	I would like to see 50% of the income to go to the TRACC campaign group to fund the new swimming pool and sports facilities at the new Tain Royal Academy and the remaining 50% to go to the Tain Community Council for Tain projects	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
180	Surrounding area	As an individual		can ONLY support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	As in 5	As in 5	As in 5	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
181	Yes	As an individual		I feel that if common good property is to be used the profits of any such utilisation must go to the Tain common good fund, specifically for the development of the new TRACC facilities and swimming pool. 100% of any revenue stream obtained by the council must be fully used within the Tain area and a significant percentage should be channelled to the new TRACC facilities.	If all the proceeds/benefits do not go to the Tain common good fund for the development of the new TRACC facilities then the proposal should be declined.	Grave concerns if benefits are not channelled appropriately as per my answers above.	Too often this type of development ultimately does not benefit the community and this must not be allowed to happen. It would be heartbreaking to discover down the line that 'creative accounting' allows individuals to profit greatly but with very little benefit to the community.	Supportive only if all benefits go to development of the new TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
182	Live within 4 miles of Tain, my child goes to Tain school.	As an individual		I support the use of common good property for the benefit of the local community. My support is given only if the following conditions are set. I support the proposal provided that 50% (or more) of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% (or more) of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of a new TRACC facility.	The benefits will be that Tain will gain new TRACC facilities. Further alternative energy supplies are always welcome.	I support the proposal provided that 50% (or more) of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% (or more) of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of a new TRACC facility.	I support the proposal provided that 50% (or more) of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% (or more) of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of a new TRACC facility.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
183	Yes	As an individual		I approve as long as 50% of the revenue goes to Tain Common Good Fund and the HC 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	The more green energy we can create the better for the planet.	No, none whatsoever	Just to reinforce that I am fully in favour	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

184	Yes	As an individual		It is not being utilized for the common good of the community of Tain. I object.	There are no benefits to the town of Tain and its population if the energy from the solar panels and the profits are not directly reinvested into the community.	Yes: loss of open green space that is community land, currently grazing being converted into ugly industrial land which spoils the rural area Biodiversity loss or no gain to biodiversity; what nature is going to inhabit solar panels Light pollution: Tain enjoys dark skies, at the shore imperative for wildlife and will affect the local appeal of being able to star gaze or see the northern lights. If the solar panels have lights surrounding them that are on overnight this will be a big negative. Battery storage: how much of a fire risk is this? Health and wellbeing of residents and businesses living nearby; are these solar farms 100% guaranteed not to impact on those living within a certain radius of them.	I think this is a very poor idea and will take away community land at no benefit to the community of Tain. Why can solar panels not be placed on Highland Council properties instead of taking away attractive rural land from the people of Tain. You are turning areas into ugly industrial places and not considering how the local wildlife will be affected and what the people of Tain will lose. Common land should not be used for a project that takes away from the community and doesn't give back.	Against the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and several of the issues noted will be assessed during this process. Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site. See also ID 16.
184	<i>*continued</i>					Value of property: will the value of properties with a view towards the shore be impacted. How will they be compensated?? Who maintains these panels and at what cost??	This is a selfish and poorly thought out idea when there are so many other places solar could be utilized. The common ground should be kept as such and used for grazing, community projects such as allotment, wildflowers and planting to improve biodiversity, placing benches, bird hides etc there for the community to enjoy: not solar panels and battery storage which are unattractive and make the land inaccessible for any other use of benefit to Tain.		
185	Yes	As an individual		I think it's a good idea using the area as it is land that's not really getting much use of at the moment.	The benefits need to come back to Tain. I think a good use would be having at least 50% funds going back to the TRACC campaign. The money would be a great help to a future property not just to Tain but to the surrounding area as well	My only concern is that we don't see the benefit from it	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
186	Yes	As an individual		I support the project subject to 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	I support new TRACC facilities for Tain	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

187	Yes	As an individual		I support the development subject to 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Revenue could be used to fund essential facilities in Tain including TRACC	No	No	Supportive subject to revenue being used as above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
188	Yes	As an individual		My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good fund and the Council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	The new £75 million school in Tain didn't include a budget for a swimming pool and the current one is no longer fit for purpose. Tain and areas are surrounded by water. A swimming pool is crucial in teaching children to swim and learn about being safe in the water. Sport & fitness also provides health & wellbeing benefits for all, potentially saving costs on our NHS services.	No	No	See above - dependant on 50% funds going to TRACC	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
189	Yes	As an individual		My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	Tain needs a new pool. Originally this was to be part of the new school but the community was cheated of this when the site changed & didn't include a budget, instead opting to pour money into other areas eg Passivhaus. The £75 million new school won't have TRACC facilities. The current facilities are unfit for purpose. Fitness is a huge health and wellbeing benefit and in our current society of mental health needs and growing obesity, this should be, without question a facility for an area as big as Tain and its surroundings.	Concerns around state of current facilities	No	Only if 50% given to the council for new TRACC facilities	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
190	Yes	As an individual		I believe the proposal should go ahead. The benefit to the local community merits the use of common good land	The benefit to the town with regards to generating funds for the common good and the links to a new TRACC facility is huge and in my opinion must go ahead	No	I am for the proposal	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
191	Yes	As an individual		Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for TAin	Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for TAin	Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for TAin	Supper is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for TAin	Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for TAin	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

192	Yes	As an individual		My Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for Tain	My Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for Tain	My Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for Tain	My Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for Tain	My Support is dependent on 50 % of the revenue going to the tain common good fund and the councils 50% been FULLY committed to the new TRACC facilities for Tain	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
193	Yes	As an individual		It's a good idea if there is a direct benefit to the local community for allowing this proposal to go ahead	Money to be used to save TTRAC facilities or to build a new gym/swimming pool facility	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
194	Yes	As an individual		As long as the local community benefits from the installation.	Revenue generated should be fed back into the local community of Tain especially to support new TRACC facilities which are desperately needed to be renewed.	Visual impact on the area could be compromised and wildlife affected.	No	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and environmental impacts will be assessed during this process. See also ID 16.
195	Yes	As an individual		I support the proposal subject to 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities	If the proposal is granted with above condition this will retain an essential facility which is currently well used and beneficial and will continue to be by the population of Tain and surrounding area	Potential loss of green space	I trust the Council will seriously listen to the wishes of those responding to this consultation	Supportive with above condition	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
196	Yes	As an individual		Positive if all money received is spent in Tain	Swimming pool and continual upgrading of public areas and development of infrastructure	Visibility. Money being leeches away from the town	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
197	Fearn, By Tain	As an individual		I only support the proposal provided that all monies made by the project are split equally between the Tain Common Good Fund and The Highland Council. Highland Council's half of the proceeds must be ring-fenced to ensure that all of it goes towards the development of new Tain Royal Academy Community Complex facilities. Tain and the surrounding communities must have new swimming and leisure facilities when the old TRACC closes to promote the health and well-being of all the residents. The proposed development is an ideal income stream to ensure new facilities can be developed and the running of them can be funded in a sustainable way.	The development and running of new TRACC facilities for the Tain community, as detailed above.	Only that the money MUST all directly benefit the local community.	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
198	Yes	As an individual		Positive	Any money spent on Tain will be good	No	Hope this happens quickly	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

199	Yes	As an individual		I am totally in favour of the solar array and the money going to TRACC and a new swimming pool	TRACC facilities are very widely used by the community so this is a good use of income. Secondly it is good that the Highland Council is looking at new sources of income.	No, not from what I know.	No.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
200	Yes	As an individual		It's a good idea	No	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for responding to the consultation.
201	Yes	As an individual		I can only support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Yes the money raised from them can be used for the local communities benefit	I've covered everything. Would be great if the money was kept in Tain for use in the town	No I think I've covered everything	I would be supportive if the money is kept in Tain	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
202	Portmahomack	As an individual		Favour	Would hope it would power new swimmingpool	No	Wonderfull project for TAIN	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
203	Yes	As an individual		I would ONLY support the Proposal provided, if 50% of the Revenue is allocated to The Tain Common Good Fund and 50% of the Revenue the Council receives is FULLY AND PERMANENTLY committed to the new development of the TRACC facility.	The Revenue MUST be kept within the Tain area. As already said, the benefits to Tain and new TRACC facilities.	My concerns are if the Council are to take the Revenue and spend it elsewhere, when Tain is desperately needing a new TRACC facility.	PLEASE, PLEASE ONLY use the Revenue for Tain and the new TRACC facility.	Only supportive if you let Revenue stay in Tain	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
204	Yes	As an individual		I only support the proposal if 50% of revenue is allocated to tain common good fun, and remaining 50% of the revenue is fully and permanently committed to the new TRACC facilities	The only benefit of the proposal is if the money is kept within the tain community should help the development of the new TRACC facilities	The issues are if the council is to keep the money and spend it elsewhere, when the money should be kept within the tain community for the development of the new TRACC facilities	That the revenue from the project needs to be kept in Tain for the new TRACC facility	Only support the proposal if the money is kept with Tain and TRACC facilities	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
205	Yes	As an individual		I only support the proposal if half of the revenue is allocated to Tain common good fund and other half of the revenue is fully and permanently committed to the development for the TRACC facilities	The only benefits if the money is kept in Tain is to support the development of TRACC	Tain is in desperate need of a new TRACC facility. If the money is spent anywhere else i would not support this proposal.	Revenue for this project should be kept in Tain.	Only supportive if above is met.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
206	Yes	On behalf of an organisation	Tain Community Council	Tain Community Council are supportive in principle.	Income for Tain Common Good Fund	Tain Community Council is insistent that at least 50% of any profit generated be allocated directly to Tain Common Good Fund	Tain Common Good Fund gets at least 50% of any profit for the benefit of the Town.	Supportive if Tain common good get at least 50% of any profit	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
207	Yes	As an individual		I am in support of this provided 50% of the income goes towards TRACC facilities, a new swimming pool.	This could allow a new swimming pool and sports centre for Tain if a minimum of 50% of the income goes back to our facilities to benefit the whole community.	None unless 50% income of the income does not go to new TRACC facilities. I would not support this otherwise.	This could be a massive benefit to Tain if the monies are ploughed into funding towards the TRACC facilities.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

208	Yes	As an individual		I would ONLY support this provided 50% of Revenue goes back to Common Good Fund and remainder goes directly and permanently into new Tracc facility.	Only benefit if revenue stays in Tain	That Council decide to take money and spend it in another area and not Tain.	Tain is desperate for a new TRACC facility and this proposals revenue on Tain' Common Good Fund land could help the community of Tain for future health and well being.	Only supportive IF Revenue stays in Tain and is ring fenced for TRACC.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
209	Yes	As an individual		The Proposal's Revenue needs to be split between Common Good Fund and developing new TRACC facility.	Only benefit is if the Revenue from Common Good Fund land is kept and permanently kept in Tain for Tain projects.	Concern that the Council would take money and NOT spend it in Tain.	Tain desperately needs tracc facility for a huge community that use it daily, and the Revenue is vital for this to happen.	Only supportive if Revenue is ring fenced for Tain and TRACC facility.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
210	Yes	As an individual		I would only support the proposal IF 50% of Revenue goes to Tain Connon Food Fund, and remaining 50% the Council receives is FULLY and PERMANENTLY committed to the development of the new TRACC facility.	Benefits Tain if Revenue kept in Tain	concerns would be if Council take money and don't spend it in Tain.	there is desperate need for TRACC facility in Tain so please use the revenue for Tain.	only support proposal if revenue stays in Tain.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
211	Yes	As an individual		The ground should be utilised but only if it benefits the town of Tain.	All monies should be used for TRACC and a new swimming pool.	Yes, that all the money is not used for TRACC and therefore to the benefit of Tain.	A new pool would be a huge asset to Tain and all those who use it. In an age where health and wellbeing is of paramount consideration the sooner Tain is given this facility the better. You only have to see how much TRACC is used by all ages to realise this. TASC has produced swimmers who have represented Tain at national level and have ex swimmers now forging careers out of this experience. It would draw visitors into the town therefore supporting the local economy and ensure the safety of our young people by teaching them a life skill.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
212	Yes	As an individual		Great idea would benefit so many in the community	Would be a good use of otherwise redundant site	None as long as bulk of funds goes towards the new swimming pool	None	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
213	Yes	As an individual		If the proposal is guaranteed to be safe then the benefits should be made available to all Tain residents.	Should be for the benefit of all Tain residents.	Support for this proposal should be dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund Along with the Council's 50% being fully committed to providing new facilities for TRACC.	The safety of Tain residents should be guaranteed.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission - environmental and health and safety impacts will be assessed during this process. See also ID 16.
214	Yes	As an individual		Utilising ground that's not used for benefit of community	Money should go towards ensuring the future of Tracc.	None as long as funds are used appropriately for Tracc.	Tracc is an important facility used by the community and it's essential that it keeps running!	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

215	Yes	As an individual		It seems like a good use of the fields for sustainable unobtrusive solar panels	I would like to know by how much Tain Common good fund could benefit and to what end.	Is there any danger of from fire in battery storage?	I would like the revenue to go to local projects. I.e a new swimming pool and community fitness facility.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal requires planning permission and environmental and health and safety impacts will be assessed during this process. See also ID 16.
216	Yes	As an individual		Like to more about how it is going to benefit the town	N/a	More common good land use not entirely for benefit off town	N/a	Not sure	Thank you for responding to the consultation.
217	Yes	As an individual		I think it is a good idea and a fantastic way for Tain to generate income.	It is my strong preference that the Tain Common Good fund should benefit from at least 50% of any income generated.	Only that Tain Common Good fund benefits from income generated.	It is my strong preference that the Tain Common Good fund should benefit from at least 50% of any income generated.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
218	Inver by Tain	As an individual		only if it can truly benefit the community	Money should be used for continued provision of TRACC swimming pool and fitness facilities	Yes - will the proposal actually benefit Tain and district community	money must be used to actually benefit the community	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
219	No	As an individual		I agree	It is important to support the health and wellbeing of the local community	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for responding to the consultation. The consultation is about the change of use of common good land and not about issues relating to the local swimming and leisure facility.
220	Yes	As an individual		My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Councils 50% being fully committed to the new Tracc facilities.	The revenue should be spent on securing a new leisure centre for Tain.	Not if the revenue generated is put into providing better facilities for children in Tain such as building a new leisure centre, and updating the current parks in Tain.	The council to ensure the children of Tain have a leisure centre	Only supportive if there is a plan for new Tracc facilities	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
221	Yes	As an individual		It's a good idea, As long as the common good fund receives 50% of all profits made.	Tain's common good receiving 50% of all profit generated	Nope. As long as Tain common good receives 50% of all profit generated.	50%	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
222	Yes	As an individual		It is a good idea, as long as Tain's common good fund receives 50% of all profit generated from the solar panels.	It is a good idea, as long as Tain's common good fund receives 50% of all profit generated from the solar panels	No, as long as Tain's common good fund receives 50%	50% generated funds could provide a new swimming pool for the community.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
223	I live near Tain and use its facilities. Supermarkets and leisure facilities.	As an individual		It is essential that the benefit of this project should go to the community. It offers a unique opportunity to help fund the new pool and leisure facilities in Tain. I think that the money and power raised can be directed to support the build and future power usage of this facility.	The proposals if linked to the new pool could offer a lasting legacy for the wider area.	My concerns are that if there are not guarantees in place to allocate the benefit from this scheme to be used for the new Leisure facilities then the funds will be frittered away and the new pool will not be funded when there is a great opportunity to do this by linking the two projects.	Please be direct with your proposals and clearly link what benefits the community will get. Funding the new pool with this project is a plan all parties can get behind.	Supportive if linked to funding the pool in a significant way.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

224	Yes	As an individual		Not keen on having a solar farm in town but would consider it if half of the funds would be used for Tains TRACC renovation	Not keen on having a solar farm in town but would consider it if half of the funds would be used for Tains TRACC renovation	Yes I'm not interested in changing the landscape of the area with solar farm intended as a commercial endeavour.	Don't want a solar farm in the area but if 50% of the funds generated would be used for Tains local improvement project like TRACC, then I won't object to it..if the funds will be fully for only highland council use, I would object to the solar farm project.	Against it unless funds will be used for TRACC projecr	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
225	INVER	As an individual		A good use of the property	To support the local community of Tain and surroundings and to contribute a ring fenced amount towards the establishment of a new school community swimming pool and attendant facilities as in the current TRACC facility	That the local community will not benefit from the proposal	None	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
226	Yes	As an individual		Very good as long as any monies split with TRACC fund	None	None	None	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
227	Yes	As an individual		Forward thinking proposal. So positive for the local area. How come it has taken so long to come up with this proposal for the future of TRACC.	The benefits are massive, to maintaining a leisure centre for all ages, health & fitness are crucial.	Just as long as commitment to CGF & TRACC are not renegeged in future.	Look forward to update. Wouldn't like to see a standstill situation like what happened to The Picture House, so maybe after TRACC completed that funds could be put to actually having a local cinema.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
228	Yes	As an individual		This is a positive proposal.	This will help net zero goals and benefit both high electricity users.	No.	My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue raised going to the Tain Common Good fund and the 50% going to Highland Council being set aside for investment in the new TRACC facilities.	Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
229	Yes	As an individual		This is a positive proposal.	This will help net zero goals and benefit both high energy users.	No.	My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue raised going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% going to Highland Council being fully allocated to providing the new TRACC facilities.	Conditionally supportive.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
230	Yes	As an individual		I am in favour of the windfarm on this site but I should like at least 50% of any revenue raised to be used to fund a new swimming pool to replace the existing one at community complex	I should expect that at least 50% of any financial benefit should go towards funding a new swimming pool I	I am concerned that any financial benefit will not be used to fund a new swimming pool	I want the Council to continue to consult and inform Tain residents about the development of this proposal	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

231	Yes	As an individual		If it is purposeful use that benefits the Tain community, I think this is very positive.	Providing the benefits of the proposal are used according to what the community wants then my view of the proposal is that it should go ahead.	My only issue would be the possibility that the benefits would not be used to help fund a new swimming pool.	I only support the proposal if 50% of the benefits are guaranteed to the development of new swimming pool facilities in Tain for the benefit of the community and the remaining 50% to Tain Common Good Fund.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
232	Portmahomack	As an individual		I support it as long as the benefits are used as per my response below	I only support the proposal provided that 50% of revenue is allocated to Tain Common Good Fund and the 50% of revenue the Council receives is fully and permanently committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.	Yes, as above.	No	Supportive if benefits used as above	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
233	Yes	As an individual		My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Community Good Fund and the Councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.				My support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Community Good Fund and the Councils 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
234	No	As an individual		Having read all the relevant documentation, I am broadly in favour of the plans however I can only support the proposal if revenues which will be obtained by this change of usage should be split 50:50 between the Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund and that the council's portion should be committed to the development of the new TRACC facilities	As above	The funding must be used for TRACC facilities.	As above	Supportive if financial consideration is given to TRACC	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
235	No	As an individual		I think it would be of benefit to Tain and the areas all around who use TRACit can be used to	I think it would be a good use of making electricity which would benefit people in Tain and could be used to heat the new swimming pool when we get one which benefits not only those who live within Tain but for all areas such as Arabella Fearn Balantore Portmahomack Inver Edderton the pool has always been used by all of us living outside the town.	No	It will benefit all from Barbravill to Boner Bridge etc we need to make and use more green energy.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. Due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.

236	Yes	As an individual		<p>I am writing to provide my formal response to the community consultation regarding the proposed solar PV development at the Blairliath grazings in Tain. My position is one of cautious support for the economic potential of the project, balanced against significant concerns regarding legal transparency, governance, and the protection of community health rights. While I welcome the prospect of a sustainable, long-term income stream that could revitalise Tain's Common Good Fund, this support is contingent on several critical factors:</p> <p>Legal Certainty: Given the "grazings" status of the land, there must be absolute transparency regarding whether the land has been legally resumed from crofting law via the Scottish Land Court.</p> <p>Best Practice Governance: While the Council has the power to sell electricity, I urge a "risk-savvy" approach through an Arm's-Length External Organisation (ALEO) to protect</p>	<p>In response to the community consultation regarding the proposed solar PV development at the Blairliath grazings, I am writing to express my support for the project as a means of generating vital reinvestment for our area. By repurposing this Common Good land for renewable energy, Tain can secure a long-term, sustainable income stream for the Common Good Fund. This capital is essential for protecting and enhancing local services, specifically providing the necessary funding to develop or sustain a modern leisure centre. This approach aligns with research from sportscotland, the national agency for sport, which underscores that "sport helps the economy thrive" by saving on significant health expenditure and driving local productivity.</p>	<p>In addition to the potential benefits, several critical concerns regarding the legal, structural, and socio-economic framework of this proposal must be addressed. Crofting Status and Legal Certainty The land at Blairliath is specifically designated as "grazings," which strongly implies it remains under the purview of crofting law. Under the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993, land cannot simply be repurposed by a local authority without a formal process of resumption authorised by the Scottish Land Court. Can the Council officers and elected members provide an absolute guarantee—backed by public record—that this land has been legally resumed and decrofted? Without this, any development risks being unlawful, and the community deserves transparency on whether the rights of former or current shareholders have been properly extinguished or compensated in line with statutory requirements.</p>	<p>The prospect of a new, sustainable income stream for Tain via a solar PV array is a significant opportunity that could transform the local Common Good Fund. However, the enthusiasm for this project must be balanced with a demand for total transparency regarding its legal and structural foundations. First and foremost, the community requires definitive confirmation of the land's current legal status. Given its historical name as "grazings," it could be subject to the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993. While a local authority may have the power to develop land, they cannot bypass the statutory process of resumption through the Scottish Land Court.</p>	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The proposal is at an early stage with further work required to progress the project such as the development of a business case, meeting planning requirements and ensuring compliance with relevant legislations and matters are met.
236	*continued			<p>the public purse and ensure compliance with the Subsidy Control Act 2022. Human Rights and Equalities: Health infrastructure, specifically a leisure centre, is a fundamental necessity for Tain—a town where Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) data highlights significant health and access inequalities. Provision of such a facility should be treated as an essential "preventative spend" and a human right, rather than a luxury made dependent on the success of an energy project. Accessibility: In a climate where public transport in the Highlands is often prohibitively expensive or poorly timed, the Council must ensure that this project serves those with protected characteristics and those facing socio-economic disadvantage, as mandated by the Fairer Scotland Duty.</p>	<p>According to their Sport for Life strategy and recent facilities impact evaluations, investment in local sports infrastructure acts as a critical "spend-to-save" measure; it not only improves physical and mental wellbeing but also strengthens community cohesion and reduces social isolation. Furthermore, Audit Scotland notes that while leisure services are under increasing financial pressure, they remain vital for reducing long-term health inequalities. By leveraging the Blairliath grazings for solar generation, the Highland Council can transform this asset into a financial engine that directly delivers these documented socio-economic benefits back to the people of Tain.</p>	<p>Governance and Energy Generation There are significant concerns regarding the Council's strategy for selling electricity to the National Grid. In Scotland, local authorities are generally restricted in their ability to sell electricity unless it is produced in specific circumstances (such as from heat or waste) under the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973. Standard practice for such commercial ventures is the creation of an Arms-Length External Organisation (ALEO). Proceeding without a clear, ring-fenced legal entity raises questions about municipal liability, the "state aid" implications of using Common Good assets, and whether the financial risks of a fluctuating energy market could ultimately fall back on Highland taxpayers. Health Inequalities and the "SIMD" Reality Health outcomes in Tain should not be "held to ransom" by a commercial energy project. Data from the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) reveals that parts of Tain suffer from significant health and access deprivation.</p>	<p>We seek a guarantee that a rigorous process is carried out to clarify the status of the land. Governance, Risk, and Subsidy Control While it is legally permissible for a local authority to sell electricity to the National Grid, it is widely considered best practice to do so via an ALEO. Utilising an ALEO is a more "risk-savvy" approach; it ring-fences the commercial liabilities of energy generation away from the Council's statutory budgets and ensures that the complex regulatory requirements of the energy market are managed by a dedicated and qualified entity. Furthermore, any such venture must be strictly assessed against the Subsidy Control Act 2022.</p>		

236	<i>*continued</i>			<p>I believe that for this project to be a true success for Tain, it must be developed through a Human Rights-Based Approach to budgeting, ensuring that the financial benefits are ring-fenced to address the documented health inequalities within our community.</p>		<p>Health Marginalisation: According to SIMD 2020 data, specific data zones in Tain rank poorly for health and income, indicating that the community already faces higher-than-average barriers to wellbeing.</p> <p>The Transport Barrier: Research by SportsScotland and Transport Scotland (under the National Transport Strategy) highlights that for those in lower socio-economic brackets, leisure facilities are only effective if they are accessible. In Tain, where public transport is notoriously expensive and schedules rarely align with work or school hours, a new facility remains the only reasonable solution to the current situation, where it is being suggested that folks travel to alternative locations such as Invergordon or Alness to use facilities.</p> <p>Policy and Dependency Scottish Government policy, specifically the Fairer Scotland Duty, mandates that public bodies do everything they can to reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage.</p>	<p>The Council must demonstrate that the use of Common Good assets or any financial support for the project complies with these UK-wide principles to ensure the project is not vulnerable to legal challenge on the grounds of distorting market competition.</p> <p>Equalities and Human Rights Budgeting: The development of this policy and its associated budget must move beyond a simple "spend-to-save" model and adopt a Human Rights-Based Approach (HRBA), as championed by the Scottish Government. We urge the Council to implement Human Rights Budgeting to ensure that this project's resources are allocated in a way that progressively realises the right to health and wellbeing.</p>		
236	<i>*continued</i>					<p>Making the provision of a basic health necessity—like a leisure centre—dependent on a controversial land-use project is a high-risk strategy. National policy suggests that leisure and health infrastructure should be viewed as essential "preventative spend" (as noted by Audit Scotland), rather than a luxury to be funded only if a commercial solar farm is successful.</p>	<p>Central to this is a robust Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA). The Council must specifically evaluate how the current lack of local leisure facilities disparately impacts those with protected characteristics:</p> <p>Women and Girls: Research frequently shows that women and girls face unique barriers to physical activity; the absence of a safe, local, and accessible leisure hub in Tain exacerbates this inequality.</p> <p>Socio-Economic Disadvantage: Under the Fairer Scotland Duty, the Council has a legal responsibility to reduce inequalities of outcome.</p>		

236	<i>*continued</i>						<p>Making a leisure centre—a fundamental health necessity—dependent on a commercial energy project risks failing the most vulnerable members of our community who cannot afford expensive, unreliable transport to facilities elsewhere.</p> <p>We request that the Council provides a transparent account of how this project aligns with Scotland's National Outcomes and how they intend to safeguard these funds specifically for the Tain community, ensuring that health infrastructure is treated as a human right rather than an optional luxury.</p>		
237	Yes	As an individual	<p>I agree that Tain Common Good Land be used for the solar array development providing that income from the solar array is ring-fenced for the new replacement swimming pool and fitness centre in Tain.</p>	<p>I believe that the financial benefits from the solar array should be ring-fenced to cover the finance costs of borrowing for the new replacement TRACC facility. There is clear support for a new TRACC facility from the new Tain community, evidenced by over 750 people participating in surveys relating to the proposed TRACC closure. The solar array is a unique opportunity to meet the needs of this community through supporting a new facility.</p> <p>Ringfencing the money from the solar array for TRACC would be in keeping with Highland Council's Social Value Charter, which states that the renewables boom is 'an opportunity to secure inclusive growth and lasting benefits for all Highland communities'.</p>	<p>It is also in keeping with the general principles underlying community benefit funding from renewable energy in Scotland, where it is standard practice for local communities to receive direct financial benefit from renewable developments. I feel that the income from the solar arrays should be used to support the new TRACC facility, and not simply go into general council budgets or funding. I would be concerned about the solar arrays being developed that do not specifically serve the Tain community in this way.</p>	<p>My support for the solar array being developed on Common Good Land in Tain is conditional on the income being ringfenced to support the new TRACC facility. Should this not happen, I will withdraw my support for the solar array.</p>	Supportive of the Proposal	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>	

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246	Nigg, which is in the Tain Catchment area	As an individual		I am in favour of the proposal, though I strongly believe that the revenue should be split 50:50 HC and Tain Common Good Fund	All of the proceeds, that is the portion retained by HC and TCGF should go towards the building of new Leisure Facilities for the town.	The Revenue MUST go towards new leisure facilities, in replacement of TRACC	The Revenue MUST go towards new leisure facilities, in replacement of TRACC	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

247	Yes	As an individual		I support 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Fund and 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	The TRACC facility is an integral part of the community. From early ages right up to retirement.	No.	No.	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
248	No	As an individual		I think the proposal of using the land for solar PV is a good idea as renewable energy is the way forward for sustainable communities. Common good land should be used for the common good of the community and so the energy produced and funds should be put towards the new leisure centre.	I fell that the benefits should be for the community. I believe money generated from the solar Pv should be put back into the community to help fund a new swimming pool in Tain.	There should be made clear that a large amount of the money generated be put towards funding of the lesiure centre and this should be guaranteed in the proposal.	Common good land should be used for the common good of the community and so the energy produced and funds should be put towards the new leisure centre.	Supportive on the condition that the money and energy be put to the new pool build and running of said facility in Tain.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
249	Yes	As an individual		We need thing me that give the best to all folk in Tain	No	N	N	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
250	Yes	As an individual		I think its a good idea as long as half the revenue received goes to the common good fund and the other half that goes to highland council is ring fenced for the new TRACC facilities	Would generate revenue to build new TRACC facilities for the benefit of Tain and district communities	Only that the revenue raised did not end up being spent on new TRACC facilities for Tain i.e. elsewhere in Highland	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
251	Portmahomack	As an individual		I would support it subject to the benefits being used to support the development and running of the new TRACC facilities.	The benefits should be used to support the development and running of the new TRACC facilities.	That the benefits aren't realised for the people of Tain and the surrounding area.	no	depending upon a commitment to use the benefits for TRACC.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
252	Yes	As an individual		I am for the proposal	The benefit to the town , local business and to the potential new sports centre facility	No	No	Supportive of the Proposal	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E1		As an individual		In principle I agree with the proposal as it has the potential to be a more lucrative use of the land, but I would want to see the financial gain to the common good fund to be a large portion of the return, specifically 50%. Also, as discussed at a recent meeting, I agree that the share that the council get should be ring-fenced for sole use to provide a fit for purpose long life sports centre with swimming pool in Tain that will benefit generations of locals physically and mentally which will keep the population fitter and happier which in turn keeps 'care' and benefit costs down.				Supportive in principle	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

E2		As an individual		<p>As a Tain resident I would support the use of the common good land proposed to facilitate a solar array on the condition that at least 50% of the profits are returned to the community (to be placed in the Tain Common Good Fund), together with Highland Council ring-fencing their half to develop and deliver a new swimming pool for Tain and the area. If these conditions are not agreed then I would withdraw my support from the project. The benefits of placing at least 50% of profits into the Tain common good fund could mean that Tain could finally develop their own swimming pool and other facilities. This in turn that could have a real impact on the health and well-being of the community. The benefits of a modern facility in Tain are enormous. Health benefits are well documented, as are the facts that it can alleviate the stress on other services.</p>	<p>Now with the push to have free swimming lessons for all children, the need for a new pool fit for purpose will help the council achieve this. Tain has been waiting for a new swimming pool for over 40 years. Despite the pool not being adequate for last century never mind this one, Tain swimmers have managed amazing achievements. Just think how much better they could do if the pool was at least big enough to hold competitions. Any swimming events have to be held elsewhere such as Golspie meaning Tain swimmers never have a home meet and any money generated from such events is not spent in Tain businesses.</p>	<p>Tain badly needs a new pool and facility, given that I would not be able to endorse the change of use of the common good land unless we could be sure that at least 50% of the profits comes back to the Common Good Fund to allow Tain to benefit from the change of use. The council would also need to agree to ring fence their profits for Tain's use. After all we would be losing grazing, a green area and habitat close to the centre of the town.</p>		Supportive	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>
E3		As an individual		<p>As someone who has lived in Tain for many years Tain I am most definitely in support of the change of use of Common Good land to develop Solar Arrays on the condition that 50% of the profits are placed in the Common Good Fund and that the Council's share of the profits be ring-fenced to help pay for the cost of a new swimming pool and fitness suite. This is imperative for Tain and this was the outcome of the discussion in the Gala Marquee last summer attended by many people which I support. If these conditions are not agreed to then I would withdraw my support for the proposal.</p>				Supportive	<p>Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.</p>

E4		As an individual		<p>Dear Officers,</p> <p>It has taken me ages to work out how to respond to this consultation as the https: code does not work so I am unable to reply on your website. I hope other people have not had the same problem because they would probably give up in frustration!</p> <p>I have read through the documents relating to the proposed solar array and would like to add my name to those who are IN FAVOUR of the plans. Tain does not have access to many Common Good funds and our town could really benefit from the income generated by the panels for at least the next 25 years.</p>	<p>I think it is important to recognise that Tain's Swimming pool and Fitness centre is ageing and that maintenance will be even more of a problem in future. It is a valued facility by many of all ages and we need it kept available or a brand new one built to replace it. At the public meeting held last summer, which I and about 400 other local people attended, there was a strong view and hope that money could be raised by income from the solar arrays to be put towards the cost of this provision.</p>	<p>I hope planning permission will be granted in the spring and that our councillors will strongly put a case forward for Tain to have at least 50% of any income generated for enough years to pay for the upkeep of our existing pool and for us to find matched funding towards the cost of a better one. I can understand that the Highland Council would like to benefit too, but I hope the lion's share will be allocated for Tain's Common Good Fund and that the Community Council will ensure income from the array will be spent wisely.</p>	<p>I note that there are adjacent businesses that would also like to benefit from income from the panels. I hope that a way forward can be found to benefit all interested parties in time.</p>	Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E5		As an individual		<p>In response to The Highland Council's consultation on the change of use of Common Good Fund land at Blairliath.</p>	<p>I am only in support of this proposal if there is a 50:50 split of all revenues between The Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund and it can be ensured that all of the Council's portion of this is committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.</p>			Supportive with conditions	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E6		As an individual		<p>To whom it may concern</p> <p>I am prepared to support this proposal on the following conditions:</p> <p>That any revenue is split 50:50 between the Tain Common good fund and the Highland Council.</p> <p>that Highland council ring fence their share of any revenue for the provision of future leisure facilities for Tain.</p>				Supportive with conditions	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E7		As an individual		<p>I would only support this proposal by highland council if they ring fenced at least half of the income to go to a new pool and fitness centre in Tain.</p>	<p>It is a disgrace there was not a swimming pool built along with the new campus.</p> <p>This area is growing rapidly and we must provide adequate leisure services</p>			Supportive with conditions	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

E8	Living close to	As an individual		<p>Attention Common Good Fund Officer</p> <p>I write as an individual resident living close to Tain since 1983.</p> <p>My children, all now adults, attended Craighill Primary School in the 1990's and were members of Tain swimming club. As a pensioner now, I have made use of the pool in recent years. My grandchildren would make use of the pool when visiting from elsewhere in Scotland. We are very concerned at the potential closure of the TRACC swimming pool. It is a vital community asset for the health and safety of Tain and area residents. It is vital that swimming pool facilities continue at Tain</p>	I understand that a pv solar array can generate 'green' power, and income to its operators, some of which should be shared with Tain.		I am in support of the proposal to change the use of the Blairliath Commom Grazings for construction of a pv solar array on condition that 50% of the revenue generated goes to the Tain Common Good Fund and that the Highland Council's portion of the revenue is committed to provision of new TRACC facilities.	Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E9				<p>Hi there,</p> <p>Please find below my response to the consultation on THE CHANGE OF USE OF COMMON GOOD LAND at Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site and Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site Tain, IV19 1PZ</p> <p>Key questions:</p> <p>1. What are your views on the Proposal utilising common good land?</p> <p>I think this is a good use of common good land as long as the revenue from the project directly goes back into the Common Good Fund to fund projects that the community is campaigning for i.e. the development of new TRACC facilities. This means a minimum of 50:50 spit of all revenues between The Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund. Additionally, ALL of the Council's portion of this revenue must be ringfenced and committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.</p>	<p>2. Do you have any views on potential benefits of the Proposal?</p> <p>I see clear benefits for the two users of electricity (Glenmorangie and Scottish Water) to de-carbonise and de-risk their electricity supply, which I am supportive of so long as they pay fair transparent and commercial rates for this benefit. However, the benefits to the Common Good are more dependent on the detail of the design and agreements attached to it - it is currently unclear a) how prices for electricity will be agreed with Scottish Water and Glenmorangie and b) what the revenue split between THC and Tain Common Good Fund will be and how these funds will be used.</p>	<p>3. Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the Proposal?</p> <p>My first concern is that strong, fair, commercial terms are agreed with the two users of the electricity from the solar PVs to ensure that the Tain Common Good Fund is not indirectly subsidising the electricity bills and net zero plans of Glenmorangie or Scottish Water. My second concern is around the revenue split between THC and Tain Common Good Fund and ensuring that these funds are ringfenced for the development and running of the TRACC facilities.</p>	<p>4. Do you have any additional comments?</p> <p>The expected level of revenue to the Tain Common Good Fund has a big impact on whether I support this proposal or not. I can ONLY support the proposal if there is a commitment to transparent and commercial pricing of electricity from the solar PV array to Glenmorangie and Scottish Water, and if there is a 50:50 spit of all revenues between The Highland Council and Tain Common Good Fund AND provided that ALL of the Council's portion of this is committed to the development of new TRACC facilities.</p>	Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E10	Fearn, By Tain	As an individual		<p>To who it may concern.</p> <p>I would like to comment to say that I could only support this if a large percentage of the revenue say 50% or more were to go back into the running and ongoing costs of the the tracc complex in Tain that needs all the funding it can currently get.</p> <p>This seems a very positive way of helping and supporting the community with the funds.</p> <p>Many thanks.</p>				Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.

E11	Yes	As an individual		Hi I'm supportive of the proposals on the basis that 50% of the revenue is committed to new TRACC facilities. Regards				Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E12		As an individual		I am happy for the common good land to be used for solar panels and battery storage providing 50% of the money goes towards replacing tracc complex and the running of the new building once built and 50 % goes towards the common good fund.				Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E13				I have many doubts regarding this development but would support it if monies generated from the project were put towards the development of a new swimming pool in the town. I feel that this is a necessary facility for a seaside town and I also feel that , as this is being sited on common good ground, it is encumbrance on the beneficiaries to invest the profits in the town.				Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
E14	Yes	As an individual		I have no particular views provided the supposed goal is to 'ring fence' at least 50% of the revenue is for maintaining the TRACC facility.	same response as Q5	same response as Q5 & Q6	Not enough information to say at this time. It very much depends on what the Council really are hoping to achieve, but we'll be watching you. We want TRACC to be maintained, not discarded.	Not sure	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P1	Yes	As an individual		As long as the proceeds are going to benefit Tain		Only concern is that, as happens, the proceeds will go elsewhere		Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P2	Yes	As an individual		Anything to get a new swimming pool, class rooms and gym	Yes	No	Yes to get started soon as possible	Supportive	Thank you for responding to the consultation. The consultation is about the change of use of common good land and not about issues relating to the local swimming and leisure facility
P3	Yes	As an individual		I am 87 years old. I use the facilities for fitness classes at leaset twice a week	Yes it keeps me supple and I enjoy the classess and company. I am aslo not the oldest in class. I do the advanced class of Otago.	It must not close at all - the benefits are so important!!		Supportive	See response to ID L2.
P4	Yes	As an individual		I support the proposal of having 50/50 split of revenues between the Highland Council & Tain Common Good Fund + providing the Council's position of this is committed to the development of TRACC	So important for the future of Tain community			Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P5	Yes	As an individual		Definitely				Supportive	Thank you for responding to the consultation.

P6	Dornoch	As an individual		Anything that helps keep TRACC stay open is great!	I suffer with arthritis and my health has improved hugely by attending classes at TRACC. Please don't take this facility away from people like me.		See above	Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P7	Yes	As an individual		Good use of the land area but the town must benefit from it. At least 50% of profits must go to the Tain Common Good Fund.	If the town benefits from the instillation. Its wise use of rough ground & a small step towards eco friendly power & better leisure facilities.	No	No	Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P8	Yes	As an individual		Havent heard what they are	Don't know what the proposal is	Again - do not know what the proposal is	Would like to know what the proposal is	What is the proposal	Thank you for responding to the consultation.
P9	Yes	As an individual		Great idea	It will benefit all the people of Tain and surrounding area	None	No	Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process.
P10	Yes	As an individual		Excellend idea	Yes it should help to keep the TRACC centre going particularly for the swimming pool	Couldn't find the questionnaire online - this form came through my letterbox today 14/03/26		Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P11	Not yet	As an individual		Good BUT my support is dependent on 50% of the revenue going to the Tain Common Good Fund and the Council's 50% being fully committed to the new TRACC facilities.	We need to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels	It MUST be funded in a way that is to the overall benefit of the new TRACC facility		Conditionally supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P12	yes	With my husband		It should be used for the people of Tain and area, NOT to satiasfy political aims.	The amount of sunlight in the North of Scotland will NOT produce the projected income from the aray	The swimming pool is more valuable to the general population than the energy produced by the aray	Taking productive agricultural land out of use for food is wrong. All children should learn to swim - we are a seafaring/fishing community of the coast	Build a new pool at the new academy.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P13	Yes	As an individual		We are fine with it as long as it is used for the "common good" of the Tain community	Maintaining the swimming pool is beneficial for the whole community	Highland Council should not be leasing from the common good fund if it isnt used wholly for the common good of Tain.	Fully support keeping of pool & Highland Council should give their 50% towards upkeep of it to support it	Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. See response to ID16.
P14	Yes	As an individual		All revenue should go to the Tain Common Good Fund to be used for the benefit of Tain only.	As above	Very concerned yet again that Highland Council are commandearing Tain Common Good Fund.	Again to reiterate Highland Council should not interfere in the Tain Common Good Fund	Supportive	Thank you for your comments which have been noted as part of the consultation process. The Common Good Fund and assets are owned by the Council but administered for the Common Good fund. The Council has a statutory duty to manage and maintain the assets and in accordance with the Community Empowerment Act where members of the public have an opportunity to have a say on proposals affecting those properties. The Common Good Fund Policy on the Council's website provides further information.

Appendix 3

THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015 NOTICE OF CONSULTATION ON THE CHANGE OF USE OF COMMON GOOD LAND.

Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site and Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site

Tain, IV19 1PZ

The Highland Council ('the Council') propose to change the use of common good properties known as Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site and Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site ('the Properties'). Before reaching a decision, the Council must have regard to the views of Tain residents via a consultation in terms of Section 104 Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

What is being proposed?

The Council wish to develop two ground mounted solar PV array sites on common good land in Tain as part of the Energy Investment and Innovation workstream in the [Our Future Highland Delivery Plan 2024-2027](#) ('the Proposal'). The Proposal will generate and distribute renewable energy, supporting local industry and meeting Net Zero ambitions. This will be a commercial development for the Council and therefore will generate income.

For the purpose of the project, the two proposed sites are called 'Tain North' (Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site) and 'Tain South' (Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site) and are shown outlined in red on the plans below.

In terms of Tain North, the Council is considering the development of a 121kWp ground mounted solar PV array which would directly supply renewable electricity to the Scottish Water Wastewater Treatment Works. This will include approximately 220 solar panels installed at the site. The project includes the consideration of a small battery energy storage system to enhance efficiency and resilience. The common good land at this location extends circa. 5.8ha, and the proposal will take up approximately 40 x 85metres (about 0.34ha). This would allow the remaining 5.46ha to continue as grazing land available for future lets.

The Tain South proposal is located to the south of the railway, and this parcel of land has remained unoccupied for several years. The proposal at this location would look to accommodate the entire site which is approximately 4.7ha. This would also be developed similarly as a solar PV array site to supply renewable electricity directly to

the adjacent Glenmorangie Distillery. Work is on-going to further develop the energy potential including the number of solar panels required to be installed. The project would also allow the consideration of a small battery energy storage system to enhance efficiency and resilience.

Due to national grid constraints locally and difficulties accessing the Tain sub-station, neither project are being developed to supply electricity to the grid for export. Instead, they will generate renewable energy which will specifically be used for these sites.

The sites would be fenced for security and health and safety reasons and therefore public access restricted.

Further details about the Proposal can be viewed in the [additional information document](#).

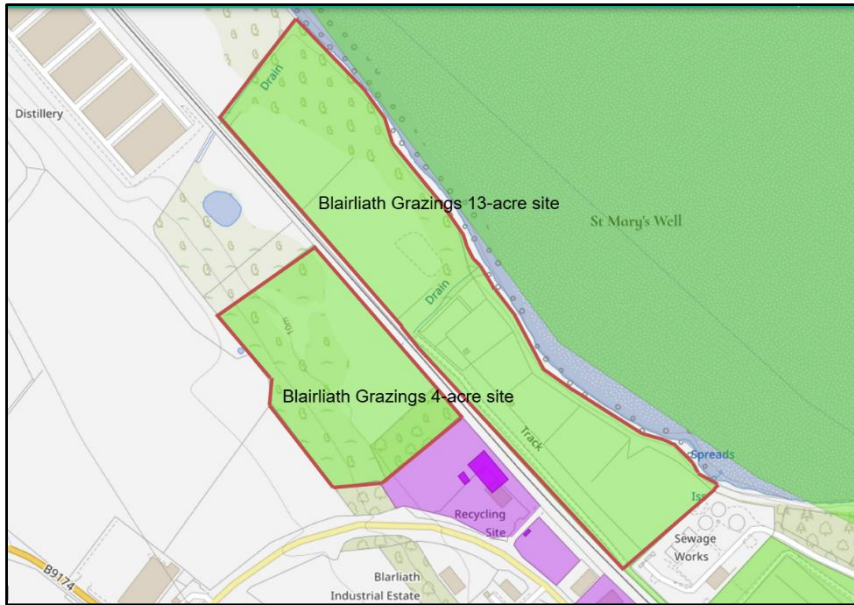
Project benefits

For the duration of the project, which is likely to be a minimum of 25-years, the Tain Common Good Fund would receive income and achieving Best Value for the fund. As the proposal is at an early stage, the financial amount is yet to be determined and would be subject to the final array size, return achieved from the sale of electricity (based on a per kwh generated) and build cost to develop the project. The project requires planning permission to progress the next phase which is to develop the business case including the funding and delivery options. Once the options have been considered the financial return to the Tain Common Good Fund will be discussed and confirmed with Local Members.

The proposal will also deliver the following benefits:

- 10% biodiversity net gain above the current baseline of the sites. This will be achieved through the planting of wild-flowers, native tree species and installation of wildlife nesting boxes.
- Create a revenue stream for the Council.
- The energy generated would be used locally, to increase resilience and reduce costs for the two off-takers.
- The energy generated will come from renewable sources, thereby resulting in a saving of CO2 emissions.

What land is affected?



The common good Properties (outlined in red) are located along the railway line adjacent to the Blairliath Industrial site and Dornoch Firth foreshore in Tain. The two proposed sites are called 'Tain North' (Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site) and 'Tain South' (Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site).

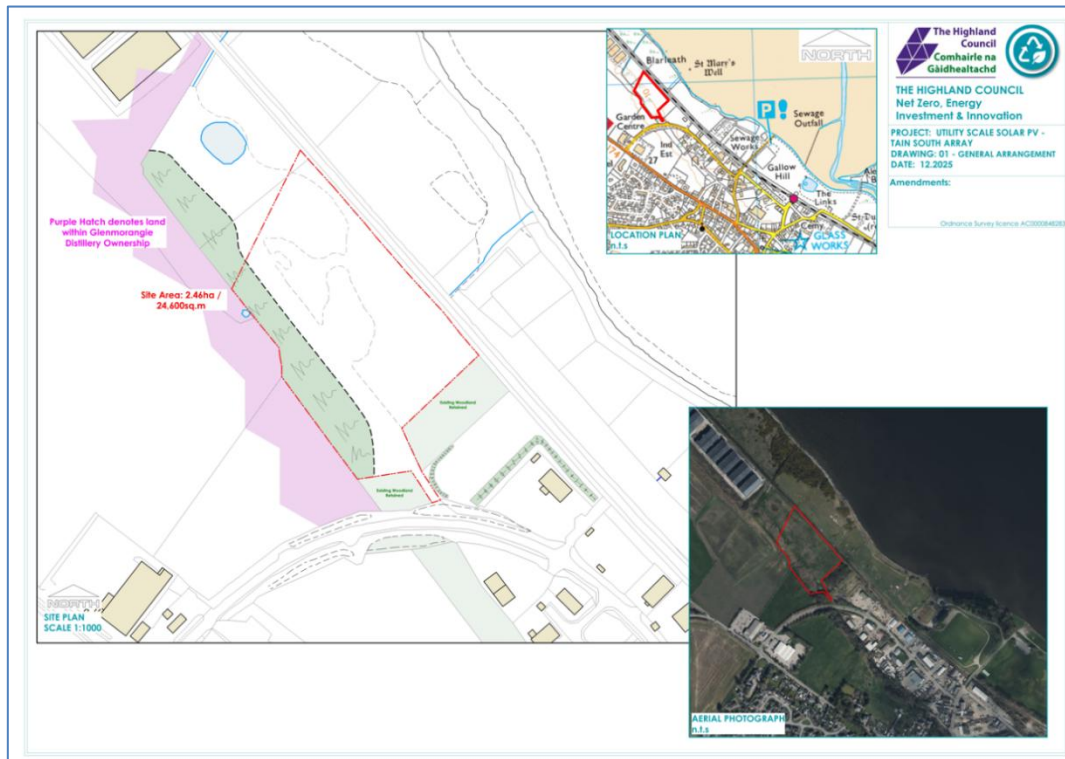
Tain North

As shown in the indicative plan below, the Tain North project will occupy approximately 0.34ha within the Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site. The change of use is only applicable for the project area therefore the remainder of the site will continue to be available as grazing lets.



Tain South

As shown in the indicative plan below, the Tain South project is likely to occupy the majority of the Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site.



Representations

This consultation seeks views from Tain residents to inform the Council's decision in respect of the Proposal as described above to:

- Change the use of common good land known as Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site (part of) and Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site.

The consultation is specifically related to common good requirements on the use of the land. Should the proposal proceed, statutory consents relating to the development will be required, including those related to planning.

Key questions:

1. What are your views on the Proposal utilising common good land?
2. Do you have any views on potential benefits of the Proposal?
3. Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the Proposal?
4. Do you have any additional comments?

The Council will take all representations received into account in reaching a decision.

A report on the outcome of the consultation will be presented at the Black Isle and Easter Ross Area Committee and a copy of the representations and responses will be published on the Council's website.

The possible outcomes are:

- a. The Proposal is approved.
- b. The Proposal is rejected.

Please submit written representations online, by email or post.

- Online – <https://forms.office.com/e/m4zsLFMp6C>
- Email: common.good@highland.gov.uk
- Post: Common Good Fund Officer, Highland Council, Headquarters, Glenurquhart Road, Inverness, IV3 5NX.

Timescales

The consultation period will be open for **8-weeks** commencing from **19 January 2026**. Final written representations must be received by close of play **16 March 2026**.

It is anticipated that a report will be presented at the Black Isle and Easter Ross Area Committee on 11 May 2026.

Additional Information

All common good properties fall into one of two categories – alienable or inalienable. Alienable property can be sold, leased or have its use changed in a way that reduces public use without Sheriff Court permission, after the statutory consultation process. Inalienable property is also subject to statutory consultation with the additional requirement to gain court consent in terms of Section 75 Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 if a question arises whether the property can be alienated.

The Properties related to this consultation is owned by the Council by the title: *Mrs Agnes Calder Denoon or Macdonald and Donald Hunter Denoon in favour of The Ross and Cromarty District Council recorded on the 16th September 1980*. It is believed they were purchased with common good funds as investment properties and therefore are alienable common good. This proposal therefore does not require Sheriff Court consent.

Appendix 4

Common Good Consultation – additional information

Ground mounted solar PV array proposals at Blairliath Grazings 13-acre site (Tain North) and Blairliath Grazings 4-acre site (Tain South).

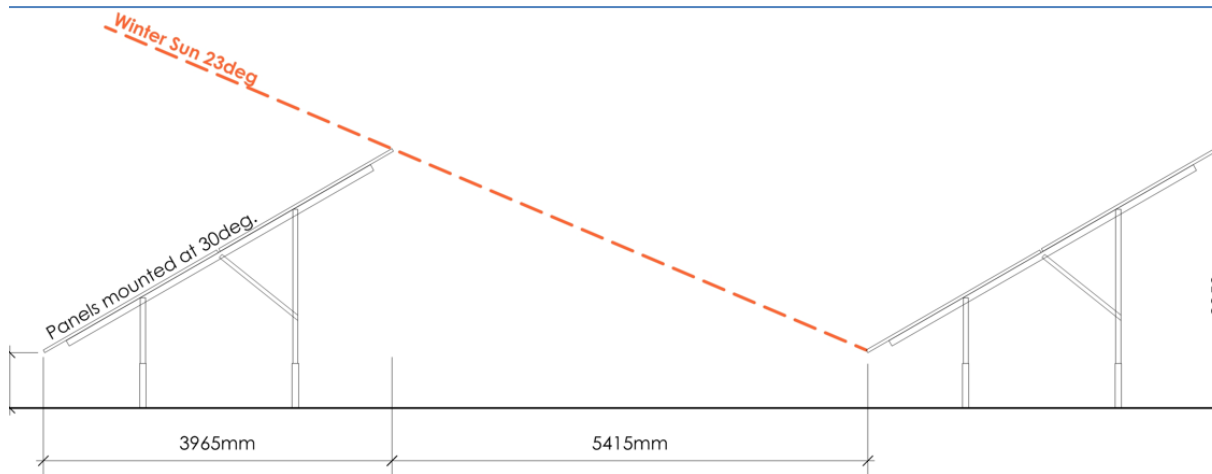
1. What is the purpose of this consultation?

As both sites are held on the Tain Common Good Asset Register, the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 stipulates that a local authority must conduct a consultation process before deciding whether or not to dispose and/or change the use of common good property. This ensures that the Council acts in a transparent way and allow communities to be involved in the decision-making process.

2. What is proposed to be built and what will they look like?

The proposal is to build ground mounted solar PV arrays on both sites to generate renewable energy. The panels will have the same appearance as the common roof mounted panels which are numerous across the world. They will be mounted on metal framing just above ground level, and the panels will be inclined at a 30 degree slope, which results in a maximum height of 3 metres above ground level. A small single external BESS is also being considered to assist with electricity peak demand and periods of little generation.





3. Will the public be able to access the sites?

No, the sites would be fenced to discourage public access, using standard metal security fencing (see picture above) and CCTV will be installed to allow remote monitoring of the site and for security and health and safety reasons.

4. Why these two sites?

Both sites are Council owned properties, held on the Tain Common Good Register, and following a review, it was determined that the sites had potential to generate renewable energy and thus additional revenue for the Council and Tain Common Good Fund.

In addition, commercial industry (off-takers) has been identified to use the electricity generated and both have confirmed their willingness to progress. Both projects will however only be delivered if a commercial business case offering a financial reward for the investment required is achieved.

5. Why is a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) included?

To increase the efficiency of the solar array and thus the financial return, consideration is being given to the inclusion of a small BESS to deal with the peak time of demand. It is envisaged that only one small external battery container on each site would be required for this demand. It would be ensured that this BESS meets all requirements in terms of health and safety.

6. What stage are the projects at, and when are they expected to start generating electricity?

Currently only initial site feasibility work has been undertaken, including energy modelling, draft site layouts and early discussion with potential commercial off-takers for the energy generated.

Following the Common Good Consultation, the next stage would be to seek Planning Approval, which is proposed to take place in the Spring of 2026. Assuming that is approved, construction would take place in late 2026/early 2027 and electricity generation would start in mid-2027.

7. How many panels on each site?

Tain North will have approximately 220 solar panels installed on a ground mounted steel framing system. Work is ongoing to identify the number of panels to be installed on Tain South site based on the energy demand required by the off-taker.

8. How will the site be managed/maintained?

Following construction, on a day-to-day basis there will be little requirement for on-site presence. CCTV cameras will be installed across the sites to allow remote monitoring, and the panels operation and output will also be remotely monitored, with staff only attending if there are issues on site. Over the summer months limited ground maintenance such as grass cutting would be undertaken between the panels to ensure their continual efficient operation.

9. Health and Safety Considerations?

The panels themselves have little to no health and safety risk during their life of operation. They will be appropriately recycled and disposed of at their end of life.

The installation of a small Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) is being considered to ensure increased efficiency and returns are achieved. Whilst any BESS installed will be more akin to a domestic battery system rather than a large BESS system, the project will ensure an exemplar health and safety approach will be advanced to reduce risks.

10. Is the generated electricity going into the national grid?

No, due to capacity issues at both the Tain electricity sub-station and wider electricity network constraints there is no capacity to connect the proposed renewable electricity to the national grid. Instead, the generated electricity is proposed to be sold directly to the neighbouring business adjacent to each site.

11. Has Planning Permission been granted?

No, planning permission has not yet been submitted and would only be progressed for each site once the outcome of the Common Good consultation is determined.

During the planning application, the standard planning public consultation process will be undertaken, and members of the public can comment and submit representations in relation to the detailed plans and technical aspects of the proposals. These will be considered as part of the planning determination which is a separate process to the common good consultation.

In 2019, both sites were granted planning permission for the installation of a solar PV array development, similarly to the scheme currently being developed. However, due to a number of reasons, the project at the time was not taken forward and therefore the previous planning consent has expired.

12. What benefits will the scheme bring to the Tain Common Good?

For the duration of the project, which is likely to be a minimum of 25-years, the Tain Common Good Fund would receive income and achieving Best Value for the fund. As the proposal is at an early stage, the financial amount is yet to be determined and would be subject to the final array size, return achieved from the sale of electricity (based on a per kwh generated) and build cost to develop the project. The project requires planning

permission to progress the next phase which is to develop the business case including funding and delivery options. Once the options have been considered, the financial return to the Tain Common Good Fund will be discussed and confirmed with Local Members.

13. What other benefits will the scheme deliver?

Over and above the financial return, the project will bring the following additional benefits:

- 10% biodiversity net gain above the current baseline of the sites. This will be achieved through the planting of wild-flowers, native tree species and instillation of wildlife nesting boxes.
- Create a revenue stream for the Council.
- The energy generated would be used locally, to increase resilience and reduce costs for the two off-takers.
- The energy generated will come from renewable sources, thereby resulting in a saving of CO2 emissions.

14. What are the project timescales?

It is anticipated that the project lead times will be as follows:

