

2024/25 Scheme Review – Phase 2 Boundary Proposals

Community Council:	Boundary Proposal:	Recommendation following phase 1:
Holm	consideration should be given again to HCC taking in Essich Meadows, from Dores and Essich CC Small amendments to align geographies or settlements	Some support - Proceed to phase 2 for further engagement.
Cawdor and West Nairnshire	Clarity needed on official boundaries of the area Cawdor Croy boundary needs looked at since new housing Small amendments to align geographies or settlements	Some support- Proceed to phase 2 for further engagement.
East Nairnshire CC	There is no CC operating in East Nairnshire. Proposal to extend boundaries of both Auldearn and Cawdor and West Nairnshire Community Council to allow the residents within the East Nairnshire CC have a CC with their area. Suggestion that the A939 road is used as the boundary between both CCs. Community Council merger	No clear support - Propose to proceed to phase 2 consultation. At Full Council Members agreed an amendment that this proposal should be included in phase 2 consultation
Muirtown CC	Currently no CC operating. Request made by Inverness West to merge with Muirtown CC and there is a clear connection between the two areas. This will allow stronger group membership. Community Council merger	Clear support - Proceed to phase 2
Inverness West and Ballifeary	A proposal has been received for a further boundary realignment to incorporate within Inverness West CC, the area of land comprising Torvean Quarry and Torvean Park. Whilst this land does not include any residential properties, the quarry site is identified as a redevelopment opportunity. At present it falls within Ballifeary CC where there is currently no CC operating. This minor change would see the boundary align with the Caledonian Canal and make the CC Inverness West & Muirtown area a more logical contiguous block.	Proceed to phase 2 consultation.

Bower and Castletown	Bower Community Council operated with minimum numbers for several years and has failed to form at all since October 2023. Following community engagement by Highland Council a petition of more than 20 electors to reform the Community Council was received by Highland Council in October 2024, however there were insufficient nominations for the CC to form at the subsequent interim elections. A merger with neighbouring Castletown Community Council would retain the integrity of the Bower community. A merger with Castletown would also be broadly coterminous with the Ward Boundary. Castletown CC has discussed and supports the potential merger.	Proceed to phase 2 consultation.
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