

PARTICIPATION REQUEST UNDER THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT

DECISION NOTICE, 13 MARCH 2026 - AGREED

David Bentley
Secretary Ardross Community Council
Cuillich Mill,
Ardross,
Alness,
IV17 0XN,

The Highland Council,
Glenurquhart Road,
Inverness,
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13 March 2026

Dear Mr Bentley,

This Decision Notice relates to the Participation Request made by **Ardross Community Council** on **1 March 2026**, in relation to:

Community engagement on local priorities for maintenance and upkeep of roads.

Outcome(s): “Improved access and knowledge of potential road closures, maintenance and disruptions for community members through improved road maintenance and reduced disturbance caused by windfarm movements”

The Highland Council has decided to **agree** the Participation Request and associated involvement of **Ardross Community Council** in an Outcome Improvement Process.

Highland Council must start this process no later than **11 June 2026** (90 calendar days from the validation date for this request). An Outcome Improvement Process will therefore be co-produced with **Ardross Community Council** (as the Community Participation Body), which will clearly set out:

- How the Outcome Improvement Process will operate;
- **Ardross Community Council’s** involvement;
- Council services that will lead (or be involved);
- How any other persons are expected to participate in the process;
- Anticipated timescales.

Once agreed, the Outcome Improvement Process will be published on the Council's website: <https://www.highland.gov.uk/ParticipationRequests>

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Phil Tomalin
Senior Community Development Manager