National Park Partnership Plan

Recreation Opportunities: The National Park has a wide variety of well promoted and managed outdoor recreation opportunities providing for a range of abilities and interests.

Water Recreation: There are more opportunities to enjoy water-based recreation and sporting activities across the Park’s lochs, rivers and coasts while maximising safety for all users and protecting the quality of water environments.

Visitor Management: The most popular parts of the National Park which experience pressures are managed to ensure that the quality of environment, visitor experience and community life are protected and enhanced.

Placemaking: The National Park’s towns, villages and countryside are enhanced with investment in the built and historic environment, public spaces and infrastructure.
Visitor Infrastructure: We will invest strategically and create a multiple year capital investment plan for our visitor sites and facilities to improve the quality of the visitor experience, create economic and public benefits, and ensure efficiencies in the costs of operating and maintaining our assets.

Estate: We will maintain and develop a high quality estate; efficiently, cost effectively and innovatively to enhance user benefit and demonstrate good practice to minimise our impact on the environment.
Where are we now?

Operational Buildings

- Owned
  - Carrochan
  - Duncan Mills Memorial Slipway

- Leased
  - Callander Office
  - Maintenance Units (Alexandria)

- Sub-leased
  - Part of Carrochan to SEPA
Where do we want to be?

Do we want to...

- Operate Campsites?
- Provide toilets?
- Manage car parks?
- Manage piers + pontoons?
- Operate visitor centres?
- Operate a waterbus?
Balancing the Books

Reducing Public Funding
- Invest necessary?
- Deliver Core Services
- Enhance Visitor Experience
- Encourage Community Empowerment

Charging for Services
- Rent of Buildings & Rooms
- Toilets & Car Parks
- Campsites
- Piers & Pontoons

Risk Appetite?
Opportunities

There are clear opportunities for visitor infrastructure where we are the owner:
• Tarbet
• Luss Visitor Centre
• Milarrochy Bay

There are significantly less opportunities available to us to deliver enhanced visitor infrastructure when we are a tenant where we are very dependant on the willingness of the landlord to work collaboratively for public benefit

Great examples of collaborative working include:
• Gateway ↔ Scottish Enterprise
• Loch Chon and Loch Achray ↔ Forestry Commission Scotland
What Next?

- Review the opportunities and options for key visitor sites
  - Tarbet
  - Luss Visitor Centre
  - Milarrochy Bay
  - Inveruglas
  - Balmaha

- Continue to identify other sources of funding that supports maintaining or enhancing visitor infrastructure

- Continue to work with stakeholders to maximise the value of our assets to support delivery of our aims

- Update Board and bring decision papers on key asset developments