

# Tiree Community Development Plan

Plana Leasachaidh  
Choimhearsnachd Thiriodh

2022

A COMMUNITY-LED APPROACH

DÒIGH-OBACH FO STIÙIR NA COIMHEARSNACHD

## INTRODUCTION/ RO-RÀDH

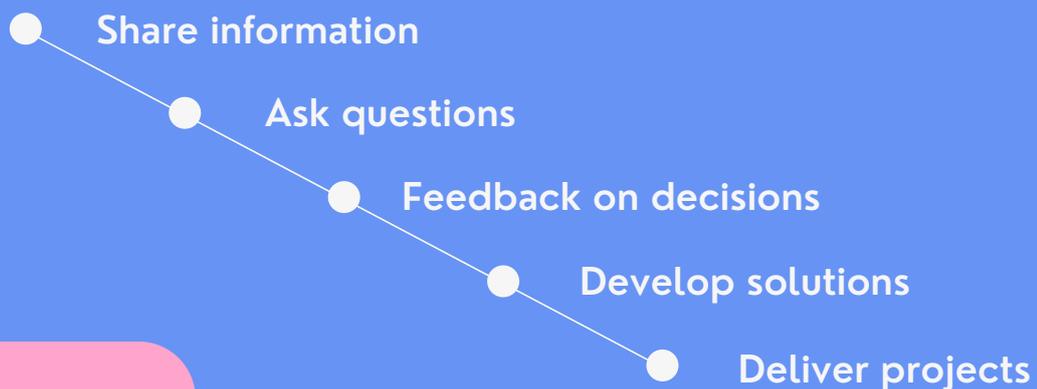
This document sets out the timeline for the upcoming community consultation process, which will directly inform a new Tìree Community Development Plan. A progress report on the 2017 Community Growth Plan is also included.

With your participation, Tìree Community Development Trust (TCDT) will produce a Community Development Plan for the next 5 years (2022-2027), built on a shared understanding of the community's priorities.



The community consultation will:

1. Identify Tìree's priorities for change
2. Seek consensus on the key projects TCDT should aim to take forward
3. Consider how the community can collaborate in delivering the Community Development Plan



# "we need you..." "tha feum againn oirbh"

## COMMUNITY CONSULTATION OUTLINE

## FRÈAM-OBACH CO-CHOMHAIRLEACHAIDH COIMHEARSNACHD

- STEP 1** Survey community priorities
- STEP 2** Conversations with focus groups
- STEP 3** Community consultation event
- STEP 4** New Community Development Plan published

### 1. Survey / Suirbhidh

The community survey will help us to understand the community's development priorities. The survey will be widely accessible and will be available both online and in print.

### 2. Conversations / Còmhraidhean

Focus group conversations will provide a space for more in-depth discussions on the needs of the community. They will provide an insight into the priorities of existing groups and networks, some of whom may be harder to reach.

### 3. Consultation Event / Tachartas co-chomhairleachaidh

This whole-community event held at An Talla will encourage a positive outlook on Tiree's future, and provide a forum for the community to learn about the work of the TCDT. The event will be an open and inclusive space for residents to share their thoughts on Tiree's future, and we encourage voices from all sections of the community to come together to help us understand the needs and ambitions of the community. These conversations will ensure that the new Community Development Plan reflects the priorities of the whole community.

### 4. Publication / Foillseachan

Your participation in the consultation process will allow us to write a new Community Development Plan for the period 2022-2027.

The Development Plan will be publicly available, and the TCDT will regularly update the community on its delivery throughout the 5-year term.

# "where we are at..."

## "far a bheil sinn"

### AN UPDATE FROM THE 2017 GROWTH PLAN

### GEÀRR-CHUNNTAS BHO PLANA FÀS 2017

There were several key areas of development identified in the 2017 growth plan, some of these have been successfully achieved, others are ongoing, and some areas have not been delivered due to various limitations.

The table below is a brief summary of progress and outcomes, which have been delivered in addition to core activities:

Tiree Community Development Trust | **TCDT**

*TCDT Subsidiaries:*

Community Information Technology | **CIT**

Tiree Community Enterprise Ltd | **TCEL**

Tiree Community Maritime Assets Ltd | **TCMAL**

Tiree Renewable Energy Ltd | **TREL**

Tiree Community Council | **TCC**

Tiree Community Business | **TCB**

Tiree Rural Development | **TRD**

Projects listed in order they appear in the 2017 growth plan

Project	Objective	Progress / Outcomes
TREE TOGETHER	To investigate where key community groups can provide a united front and be more efficient and cost effective.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TCDT &amp; TCC formalising their cooperation: providing encouragement &amp; support in carrying out their objectives.</li><li>• TCDT &amp; TCB working together on energy efficiency: funding &amp; delivery.</li><li>• TCDT assisting TRD on land acquisition at the Rural Centre.</li></ul>
HYNISH	To investigate the transfer of the Hynish Centre to Tiree as a Community Owned Asset.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A large amount of work and resources were allocated to this project, however an agreement could not be reached.</li><li>• A new working group has been established and TCDT is working with Hebridean Trust to explore what community ownership for Hynish might look like.</li></ul>
HARBOURS	Community Ownership and Improvement of Milton and Scarinish Harbours.	<p><i>Under the new subsidiary TCMAL:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Milton and Scarinish Harbours acquired from Argyll Estates.</li><li>• New facility at Milton to provide a more safe and secure working environment for the fishing industry of Tiree has made a huge impact.</li><li>• Scarinish harbour renovations and improvements complete.</li><li>• Moorings installed in Gott Bay.</li></ul>
TOURISM	Develop a sustainable tourism strategy to co-ordinate activity on the island, promoting businesses and activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 'Discover Tiree' new brand established.</li><li>• Campaign launched including new website and social media.</li><li>• Graduate Sustainable Tourism role created to progress action plan.</li></ul>
HOUSING	Community Housing initiative to help meet demand for additional housing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Investigated working with West Highland Housing Association.</li><li>• Investigated a number of sites, none have yet been acquired.</li><li>• A new potential site has been identified and investigations are ongoing.</li></ul>

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COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT	To investigate community ownership of key island assets and services where an opportunity arises; to stay informed about and contribute to national conversations and government policy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquisition of Harbours into Community Ownership.</li> <li>• Investigation of Hynish Centre Asset Transfer.</li> <li>• Securing uninterrupted fuel services on Tiree by creation of community owned Fuel Station through TCEL.</li> <li>• TCDT are active members of Development Trusts Agency Scotland and contributed to the National Islands Plan.</li> </ul>
SUSTAINABLE INCOME	Investigate and recommend other potential income generating projects owned by the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recently applied for funding to conduct a baseline study of carbon emissions and feasibility study for future green energy projects that would lower the island's carbon footprint and safeguard the future income of the community.</li> <li>• The use of Solar PV was explored for community buildings, however the timescale to complete under the feed-in tariff was too short.</li> </ul>
PROMOTING TIREE	<i>Ensuring Tiree is a successful place to live and work to help to retain and attract more people and withstand population decline. Key areas identified were:</i>	
DIGITAL CONNECTIONS	Fast and reliable connections are critical to promoting Tiree as a place to live and work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CIT Tiree Broadband upgraded their network to allow consistent 10MB connections.</li> <li>• Ongoing discussions with BT Openreach and other partners about further network upgrading.</li> </ul>
IDENTITY	A Tiree brand that promotes the island's identity and profile.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-branding of Discover Tiree has created a platform to be able to work on this in the future.</li> </ul>
YOUTH	Delivery of an indoor / outdoor play area based on recommendations from feasibility study.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A brief feasibility study of an indoor play centre was conducted and research is ongoing.</li> <li>• The lack of pre-nursery childcare options has been highlighted.</li> </ul>
BUSINESS	To promote and support entrepreneurial opportunities on Tiree.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of community owned business units is ongoing.</li> </ul>
CULTURE	Scope out quality creative projects to promote Tiree's culture and contribute to the wellbeing of residents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Creative Hub Steering group was established to develop ideas around the expanding opportunities of creative industries on Tiree.</li> <li>• TCDT is in the process of acquiring An Turas.</li> </ul>