

Glengarry Community Council

Invergarry

4th August 2020

Dear Jamie,

Thank you for your email asking the Community Council to submit its views regarding the community interest in Ardochy Forest. The Community Council was directly involved in the initial decision to register a community interest in Ardochy in December 2018 and we have been kept informed of the development of this project by Glengarry Community Woodlands.

We are not able to comment on the specifics of this project until more detail is available, however, we can confirm that the availability of housing is a problem for the community in Glengarry and we can confirm our general support in principle for the creation of new opportunities for housing / crofts for the community.

We have answered your questions below:-

1. Yes, the Community Council supports community ownership of part of Ardochy Forest.
2. Yes, the Community Council supports the community purchase of more woodland and the establishment of woodland crofts.
3. The Community Council would support the allocation of woodland crofts to both families from within the area, and to new families from outwith the area.

In addition to these comments, the Community Council would, in general, be supportive of the creation of new opportunities which make provision for expansion and development within the community.

The Community Council looks forward to reading the Feasibility Study once completed and to being able to comment more specifically on points raised in such.

Kind regards

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