
Climate Change - Adapting to The Impacts, by Communities in Northern Peripheral Regions

Community feed in to the Development of Highland Council's Adaptation Strategy

The community of Glen Urquhart, lead by the Glen Urquhart Land use Partnership (GULuP), including residents of the town of Drumnadrochit and the Glen, are involved in the Clim-ATIC project to feed into the development of Highland Council's Adaptation Strategy. The main issue of concern for GULuP is the River Enrick, which poses a significant threat to the community due to its period flooding. A vulnerability assessment of the river, from a climate change adaptation perspective has been conducted and a sustainable flood management approach to the whole catchment is being taken forward.



Highland Council is a very large council/municipality (the size of Belgium). They have been tasked with the implementation of the national adaptation framework at a local level by the Scottish Government. They are looking for local community input into this strategy and the activities in Clim-ATIC in Glen Urquhart will feed in very well.

A number of people have taken part in the local process. GULUP are the key community points of contact. Highland Council, SEPA, SNH and FCS are key stakeholders. The wider community has been invited to participate in the process. Two workshops have taken place to identify climate change impacts on the wider community. In addition a number of workshops and meetings have taken place to take forward sustainable flood management plans

Other community stakeholders form throughout Scotland, including the Scottish Government have shown a lot of interest in the process, particularly in relation the risks associated with the river and a community lead river restoration/sustainable flood management approach.

For more information please visit:

<http://www.gulup.org/>
http://www.clim-atic.org/WP4_River_restoration.html

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