

## TOOLKIT RESPONSE SUMMARY

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**RESPONSE ICON KEY**

- No Response
- Don't know - it's not relevant/not applicable
- Don't know - even though it is relevant
- No - not at all true
- No - some truth, but a long way to go
- Mixed - partly true, but some way to go
- Yes - largely true, but still more to do
- Yes - completely true

## MAIN SECTIONS RESPONSE SUMMARY

-  Built Environment
-  Climate Change
-  Community
-  Consumption & Production
-  Culture & Recreation
-  Economy
-  Equality & Diversity
-  Health & Well-Being
-  Lifelong Learning
-  Natural Environment
-  Transport & Connectivity

## **Built Environment**

### **1 Built Environment**

The initiative will contribute towards a high quality, well-designed built environment that complements the distinctive and historic local character?

*Not relevant*

#### **1.1 Historic Built Environment**

The initiative will maintain or enhance the character of built heritage or a particular historical feature in the area?

*Not relevant*

**Justification:**

The location of the pontoon is not visible to the Fergusson Gallery and will not add or enhance the character of the building or its location.

#### **1.2 Housing**

The initiative will help to provide a sufficient range of (particularly affordable) housing that is well-designed and sustainable?

*Not relevant*

#### **1.3 Identity and Character**

The initiative will be well designed to support and enhance local distinctiveness whilst creating a "sense of place"?

*Not relevant*

#### **1.4 Open Space**

The initiative will help to ensure that a wide range of accessible, attractive and safe open spaces are available to all?

*Not relevant*

**Mitigation:**

PKC will consult with Centre for Inclusive Living Perth and Kinross during the detailed design process in order to ensure any issues impacting on accessibility will be minimised.

## Climate Change

### 2 Climate Change

The initiative will contribute towards tackling the causes and effects of climate change?

*Yes – largely true, but still more to do*

**Justification:**

The use of the pontoons will promote use of sustainable transport and links into the Inner Tay Masterplan, which aims to promote walking and cycling along the River Tay, as well as public transport from the proposed park & ride at Walnut Grove

#### 2.1 Adaptation

The initiative will take account of potential changes brought about by climate change (for example, flooding, higher temperatures, heatwaves and more frequent storms)?

*Yes – largely true, but still more to do*

**Mitigation:**

Surveys have been undertaken to determine velocity of river during flood situation and data will be supplied to contractor during design process. Structure for pontoons to have a minimum of 50 year design life and will ensure pontoons are robust. Pontoons will also be removed from the River Tay during the winter to minimise damage

**Justification:**

Design specification for pontoons has outlined requirements for flooding and seasonal factors associated with the river i.e. debris

#### 2.2 Greenhouse Gas Mitigation

The initiative will help to mitigate greenhouse gases?

*Not relevant*

## Community

### 3 Community

The initiative will contribute towards encouraging vibrant and safe communities, where everyone has an opportunity to participate in community life and local decision-making?

*Yes – largely true, but still more to do*

**Justification:**

The pontoons will provide better access to leisure services and promote social inclusion through water sports on the River Tay

#### 3.1 Access to services

The initiative will improve and support access to jobs, services and amenities for the local community?

*Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

Project will improve accessibility to leisure facilities along the River Tay

#### 3.2 Community Safety

The initiative will contribute towards reducing crime, disorder and danger and support social cohesiveness?

*Not relevant*

#### 3.3 Engagement

The initiative will seek to adequately engage with all members of the community in the decision-making process for the area through using VOiCE?

*Not relevant*

#### 3.4 Identity and Citizenship

The initiative will help support and enhance the local identity whilst promoting citizenship?

*Not relevant*

#### 3.5 Social Inclusion

The initiative will promote social inclusion for all?

*Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

Pontoons will improve accessibility for all to services along the River Tay

## **Consumption & Production**

### **4 Consumption and Production**

The initiative will promote more sustainable production and consumption of goods and services?

*Not relevant*

#### **4.1 Energy**

The initiative will help reduce energy consumption and promote energy efficiency?

*Not relevant*

#### **4.2 Waste**


The initiative will encourage the prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling of waste?

*Not relevant*

## **Culture & Recreation**

### **5 Culture and Recreation**

The initiative will support the promotion and enhancement of cultural and recreational opportunities for all?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

Implementation of the pontoons falls in line with the Inner Tay Masterplan and the promotion of cultural assets along the River Tay

#### **5.1 Cultural Heritage**

The initiative will preserve, promote and enhance assets of local culture and heritage?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The pontoons will improve accessibility to the river and help promote the heritage of the Tay and link in with the cultural offering at Elcho Castle and potentially Dundee, further down the line.

#### **5.2 Leisure, Sport and Recreation**

The initiative will help provide, encourage and improve access to leisure, sports and recreational activities for all?

 *Yes – completely true*


**Justification:**

Pontoons will link in with Activity Centre at Willowgate, which will promote and encourage recreational use of the River Tay

## Economy

### 6 Economy

The initiative will encourage sustainable economic growth?


 *Yes – largely true, but still more to do*

**Justification:**

The funding secured from the Coastal Communities Fund will help develop the capacity of the Trust, which will be responsible for delivering the Inner Tay Masterplan and maintenance of the assets/infrastructure. All income raised will be reinvested in local infrastructure, which aims to improve and increase the leisure tourism offer along the Tay, which will help attract long term tourism growth to the area.

#### 6.1 Business

The initiative will encourage business creation and development?


 *Mixed – partly true, but some way to go*

**Justification:**

The Tay & Earn Trust are in dialogue with third parties from the private sector with regards to the setup at Willowgate and the possibilities around the provision of water sports on the River Tay

#### 6.2 Employment

The initiative will ensure a wide range of jobs are accessible to all communities and locations (particularly disadvantaged areas)?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

All jobs created within the T & E Trust will be accessible to all, and will be advertised through the Trust's website and local media.

#### 6.3 Tourism

The initiative will help promote sustainable tourism for the area?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The Trust is focused on delivering a tourism offering which will attract visitors on a regular basis, by offering a combination of fishing, watersports, leisure accomodation etc.

#### 6.4 Well Skilled

The initiative will help to develop and improve people's skills?

 *Not relevant*



## Equality & Diversity

### 7 Equality and Diversity

The initiative, proposal or policy will promote equal access and inclusiveness for everyone?

*Yes – largely true, but still more to do*

**Justification:**

The pontoons will promote equal access and inclusiveness for everyone, where parameters allow. Certain dynamics around the tidal nature of the river will not allow a consistent gradient on access bridges in line with DDA compliance.

**Mitigation:**

PKC will work with the design team/contractor and CILPK to ensure robust consultation has been undertaken and Design Risk Assessments address/mitigate issues where possible

#### 7.1 Age

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against age groups of any range?

*Not relevant*

#### 7.2 Disability

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against people with disability?

*Yes – largely true, but still more to do*

**Mitigation:**

Consultation will take place with CILPK to ensure any impact with accessibility is mitigated as much as possible, whilst acknowledging the pontoons have to be built within the thresholds of certain building standards

**Justification:**

The nature of the river environment will place certain restrictions on the design of the pontoons, which will limit access at certain times of the day.

#### 7.3 Gender Reassignment

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against people who choose not to live as their birth gender?

*Not relevant*

#### 7.4 Marriage and Civil Partnership

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against married people or civil (same sex) partners?

*Not relevant*

#### 7.5 Pregnancy and Maternity

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against pregnant women or who have recently given birth or breastfeeding?

*Not relevant*

#### 7.6 Race

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against any racial groups as recognised in the Equality Act 2010?

*Not relevant*

#### 7.7 Religion or Belief

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against any religion, religious belief or philosophy as recognised in the Equality Act 2010 and the courts?

*Not relevant*

#### 7.8 Sex

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against either men or women?

*Not relevant*

**7.9 Sexual Orientation**

The initiative, proposal or policy will not discriminate, directly or indirectly, against Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual (LGB) or heterosexual/straight people?

*Not relevant*

## Health & Well-Being

### 8 Health and Well-being

The initiative will improve health (including mental health) and well-being and improve access to health care for all?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The pontoons and educational programme with the Tay & Earn Trust, aim to ensure there is improved access to a healthier lifestyle for all.

#### 8.1 Lifestyle

The initiative will promote opportunities for gaining knowledge of and achieving a healthier lifestyle?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

Initiative will promote accessibility to the River Tay and water sports, promoting a healthier lifestyle

#### 8.2 Physical Environment

The initiative will help to create a healthier physical environment for all?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The pontoons will promote sustainable modes of transport (Boat, kayaking etc.), which has minimal impact on the environment

#### 8.3 Social Environment

The initiative will help to create a healthier social environment for all?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

Access to the pontoons will promote participation in water sports. Research shows participation in exercise improves the health participant, as well as social skills, of those involved in team sports.

## Lifelong Learning

### 9 Lifelong learning

The initiative will promote opportunities for lifelong learning?

**+** Yes – largely true, but still more to do

**Justification:**

The pontoons and educational programme of the Tay & Earn Trust aims to promote interest in the cultural and heritage offering of the River Tay and inspire the younger generation in future learning opportunities

**Mitigation:**

The Trust is working with local schools and colleges to arrange educational visits to the activity centre, as part of the development of a long term strategy to inspire younger generations

#### 9.1 Community Learning and Development

The initiative will provide opportunity for community learning and development?

**+** Yes – completely true

**Justification:**

The Trust have undertaken a lot of engagement with local schools and colleges to promote the local culture and heritage along the River Tay. Education is a big remit of the Trust.

#### 9.2 Formal learning

The initiative will provide opportunity for children and young people to improve their attainment and achievement?

**+** Yes – largely true, but still more to do

**Justification:**

Educational activities in partnership with the Trust has the potential to present opportunities for young people to develop their skills in physical activities in water based activities or provide motivation to progress a career in physical activities as a result of educational programmes

## Natural Environment

### 10 Natural Environment

The initiative will contribute towards protecting and improving the natural environment within the area?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The design of the pontoons will ensure there is minimal impact on the natural environment, whilst the pontoons will promote sustainable transport and the Inner Tay Masterplan promotes the local heritage and cultural offering along the River Tay

#### 10.1 Air, Water and Land Quality

The initiative will protect and enhance the quality of the area`s air, water and land?


 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The pontoons will promote the use of sustainable transport (Boatts etc.)and recreational use of the river

#### 10.2 Biodiversity

The project or proposal will protect, enhance and manage the area`s biodiversity?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The installation of the pontoons will not impact on the rivers biodiversity. Consultation has been undertaken with the necessary stakeholders, and all relevant consents will be obtained.

#### 10.3 Historic Natural Environment

The initiative will protect, enhance and manage the area`s historic natural environment?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

The initiative forms part of the Inner Tay Masterplan which aims to enhance, promote and manage the historic natural environment along the River Tay

#### 10.4 Landscape, Geology and Soils

The initiative will protect, enhance and manage the area`s natural landscape, geology and soils?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Mitigation:**

Consultation has been held with stakeholders such as SEPA and SNH. Ground investigation works will be undertaken ahead of the construction programme to ensure the structures are installed in the correct locations. It is anticipated the majority of structural installation will take place via the River


**Justification:**

Surveys and designs of the pontoons will ensure there is minimal impact on the areas geology and natural landscape.

## Transport & Connectivity

### 11 Transport and Connectivity

The initiative will contribute towards providing accessible and appropriate transport services and communication, linking people to jobs, schools, health and other services?

 *Mixed – partly true, but some way to go*

**Justification:**


Efforts will be made to make the pontoons as accessible as possible, however, there are limitations due to the tidal nature of the River Tay

**Mitigation:**

Consultation to take place with CILPK to ensure all opportunities to improve accessibility are maximised

#### 11.1 Accessibility and Connectivity

The initiative provides and supports adequate and accessible transport provision for everyone?

 *Mixed – partly true, but some way to go*

**Mitigation:**

PKC and the Trust will work with river taxi providers to ensure boats provide accessibility for all

**Justification:**

Access to the pontoons will be designed to maximise accessibility to the River and any river taxi service however, the provision of river taxis will be private sector lead and although it is anticipated there will be a provision for disabled access, officers are unable to provide a guarantee at this stage.

#### 11.2 Sustainable Transport

The initiative supports and encourages the provision of sustainable modes of transport?

 *Yes – completely true*

**Justification:**

Pontoons will promote sustainable modes of transport - boats, kayaks etc. Additional work being undertaken by the Trust, includes development and maintenance of walkways along the Tay, which will encourage walking and cycling. There is also a proposed Park & Ride for Walnut Grove which will promote use of public transport into the City Centre