

# **Community Appraisal**

## **Tealing & Inveraldie**

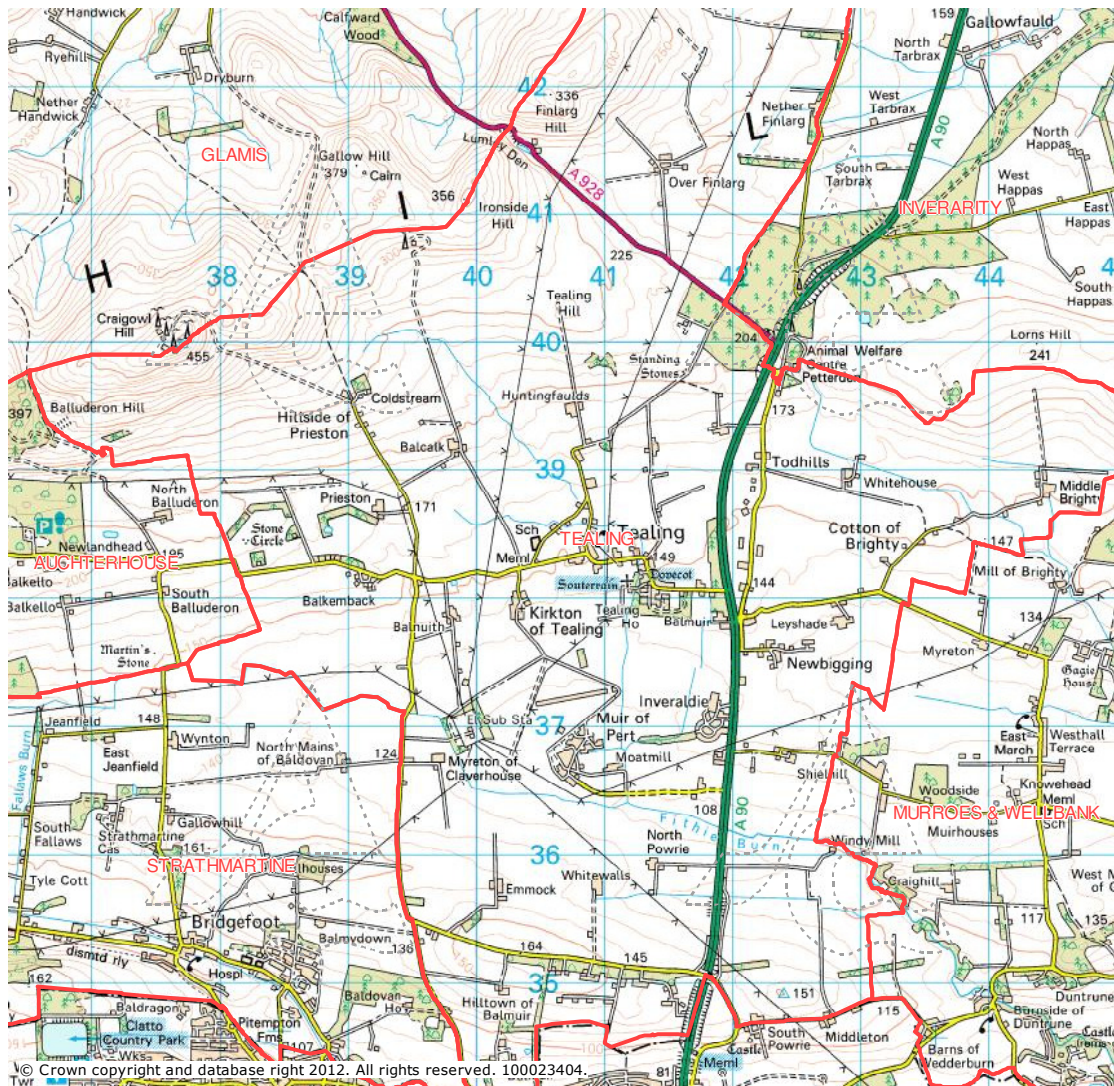
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## Overview



The Tealing & Inveraldie area is located at the south-eastern end of the Sidlaw hills in the south of Angus. It is just 6 miles north of the city of Dundee and 8 miles south of Forfar it is part of the commuter belt between these two larger conurbations but also has a significant retired population.

The population of just over 750 are spread across an area of around 15 square miles in the main villages of Tealing and Inveraldie, smaller settlements such as Kirkton of Tealing and Newbigging as well as more remote houses and farm cottages.

### Area Profile

	<b>Tealing &amp; Inveraldie</b>	<b>Angus</b>	<b>Scotland</b>
<b>Population 2011</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>110570</b>	<b>5222100</b>
<b>% Children 2011</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>17.5</b>
<b>% young people aged 16-19 2011</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>% working age 2011</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>% pensionable age 2011</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Urban rural Class 2008</b>	<b>5</b>		
<b>% Income deprived 2009/10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>% Employment deprived 2010</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>% Home Ownership 2001</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>% Social rented housing 2001</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>% Private rented housing 2001</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>

(Scottish Neighbourhood Statistics  
Datazone S010000602)

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2009 places the datazone of Tealing & Inveraldie comfortably in the middle ranges in the domain ranks of income, employment, health, education, crime and housing.

However, in the domain rank of geographic access Tealing & Inveraldie has a rank of only 493, placing them within the lowest 5-10% in Scotland. The Geographic Access domain rank takes into account drive and public transport times for accessing vital services such as schools, GP's, hospitals, post offices, shopping and petrol stations.

The area is classed by the Scottish Government 6 level Urban Rural Class system as Urban Rural Class 5 - Accessible rural area; population of less than 3000 and within 30 minutes by car of a settlement of 10000.

## **Active Community Groups & Service providers**

### **Local Elected members**

Cllr Craig Fotheringham - Conservatives

Cllr Sheila Hands - SNP

Cllr Rob Murray - SNP

Cllr Margaret Thomson - Labour

Member Services, 5 The Cross, Forfar, DD8 1BX

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### **Tealing Community Council**

Graeme Reoch (Chairperson) Tel 01382 380571, Email [graemereoch@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:graemereoch@tiscali.co.uk)

and

Nicki Donaldson (Secretary) Email [nands.donaldson@btinternet.com](mailto:nands.donaldson@btinternet.com)

**Tealing Village Hall** – Bessie Coventry Tel 01382 380395

**Tealing Guild** – Bessie Coventry Tel 01382 380395

**SWRI** - Joyce Barr (President) Tel 01382 812029, Myrtle Brand (Secretary) Tel 01382 380472

**Education** – Tealing has a small primary school of around 50 pupils with an associated nursery. There is a school board and a PTA. Head Teacher Alison Scott Tel 01382 380210

Secondary pupils attend Forfar Academy. Head Teacher Mr Melvyn Lynch Tel 01307 464545

**Housing** – Social rented accommodation is provided by Angus Council and there are approximately 40 properties. The Housing officer is Grahme Wilson of the Forfar Housing Team Tel 01307 474746

Sheltered housing is also provided Caledonian Housing Association Tel 0800 678 1228

**Community Police** – Inspector Ali Robertson is based at the Divisional HQ in Forfar and Tayside police can be contacted on 0300 111 2222



Inveraldie & Tealing currently has no shops, GP surgery, Post Office or petrol station, the nearest amenities being in Dundee 6 miles away.

The nearest Angus council offices are in Forfar, 9 miles away.

**Public Transport** – The area is served by No. 20 Stagecoach Strathtay bus and the No. 139 service from National Express Dundee.

### **Community Appraisal**

#### **What is a community appraisal?**

Part of the role of the Local Community Planning Team is to carry out what are known as 'Community Appraisals'. The team conduct at least 2 in every multi member ward each year. So, what is a Community Appraisal?

A Community Appraisal provides an opportunity for residents in a community to talk to local staff about what is good and what is not so good about living in their area. People's thought and ideas are then shared with other public and voluntary sector services and staff to see if we can find ways of improving how your services are delivered to you.

Our staff go door to door chatting to people and listening to their thoughts and ideas. At the end of the process a meeting is held to discuss what people have said about the area and consider ideas for improvements. Staff from council and other services will be there to talk through these ideas and agree how they could help local people to achieve the changes that people would like to see happen.

The Local Community Planning Team went around over 250 houses in the Tealing & Inveraldie area in July and August this year to find out what people thought about service delivery in their community and about the community in general.

Residents were given the opportunity to speak with members of the team or to fill in the questionnaires in their own time (See Appendix 2) We then held a follow up meeting in August at Tealing Primary School where people were invited to come along to hear the preliminary findings of the report and to feedback their views on the issues that had been raised.

In total there were 65 responses to the 250 questionnaires representing a healthy 26% response rate and 15 local people came to the follow up meeting.

### **Feedback**

Residents were given a list of phrases that they thought could be applied to the Tealing & Inveraldie area.

	<b>%</b>	<b>No. of Respondents</b>
<b>Quiet</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Safe</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Low Crime</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Peaceful</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Friendly</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Little or no amenities</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Clean</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Well Kept</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Well Lit</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Nothing to do</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Not Well Lit</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Lots to do</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Dirty</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Dangerous</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Unfriendly</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Lots of Amenities</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Neglected</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Intimidating</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Noisy</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>High crime</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>

The overall impression was of a peaceful friendly area that people enjoyed living in. Although the lack of amenities was high on the list and may be perceived as a negative, many people said that this was something to be expected as part of rural life and that they did not see it in a negative light.

Anecdotally, from going around the doors, a significant number of people mentioned that they had lived in the area for a number of years and that they would not want to move anywhere else.

People were then asked;

- What do you think of services in your area?
- What could be done to improve services in your area?
- What could be done to bring the different communities of Inveraldie & Tealing together?

In the answers to these questions some broad themes began to emerge. Although there were many issues brought up during the appraisal the three main themes to come out of the appraisal were;

- Roads and paths
- Waste management and recycling
- Community and amenities

At the follow up meeting it was confirmed that these were the main issues in the Tealing & Inveraldie area at the present time.

Whilst this report can not publish all quotes and points that were raised, the following gives a reflection of the main thoughts and ideas that came from the appraisal.

## Roads and Paths



Roads were the issue that came up more than anything else during the appraisal. Particular areas of concern were;

- the dangers of crossing and merging onto the A90
- the poor state of repair of many roads
- the speed of cars along the A90, through Newbigging and through Tealing village
- the volume of heavy farm vehicles that frequently travel through Tealing village
- lack of adequate paving and walkways.

Here is what some local residents had to say;

- “Pavements and roads in Inveraldie good but rural roads lack pavements.”
- “There should be a bridge for us to cross the dual carriageway safely, and there should be a slip road from the dual carriageway to here.”
- “There are dangerous junctions due to grass banks not being cut.”
- “The standard of repair is poor, roads are patched and repaired and drainage is poor.”
- “The roads are not suitable for large farming machinery and lorries, e.g. two cannot pass and one requires mounting the pavement, and this has an impact on dykes which are being pushed over.”
- “I live at the Murroes side of Tealing and would like footpaths and speed bumps.”



- “Open a road/path between Inveraldie and Tealing/Auchterhouse Road that by passes the A90.
- “A safe route to the hall is needed for walkers, cyclists, and elderly drivers.”
- “Improve the core path network in the area.”

## Waste Management & Recycling



Many respondents felt that whilst the service provided by the Angus council waste management workers was very good they would like to see a better waste management service. People would like much more kerbside recycling in the rural areas and have bins for garden waste.

- “Bin collections are very good.”
- “We recycle a lot but have to take it to a Dundee waste facility!”
- “Rural location, so limited resources provided, but bin collection is satisfactory, although recycling points in Tealing would help.”
- “Recycling collections please! Angus wants to be green and cut landfill but is failing to provide the basic services to facilitate that.”
- “The Community Council fought for more ‘dog waste bins’, but people still allow their dogs to foul all over.”

## Community & Amenities



The main issue around community is the lack of facilities like a shop or pub. People felt it was also very difficult to have a united community as the A90 cuts off the settlements of Tealing, Inveraldie and Newbigging from each other. However, there were also people who were unconcerned that the entire area was not a united community and did not see any merit in it being as one.

However, it was noted that there had been some good work done over the years to try and provide activities for the community for example the Tealing Olympics.

- “There is no shop. When there was a shop it was a meeting place for the community.”
- “The mobile library used to park at the local garage but does no longer, and my children are reading less as a result. Dundee libraries are closer than an Angus one.”
- “The library van comes weekly and this is very handy.”
- “The Community Council tries hard to include all residents in a range of activities, even providing transport to Tealing village after late night activities in the hall in Inveraldie.”



- “The village hall is the centre of society in Tealing. I would like to see more support and activities for the hall.”
- “Open the school and its facilities in the evenings for the benefit of the community.”
- “Some of our children attend different schools and having to cross the A90 makes it difficult to socialise. Feeling listened to and represented by TCC would help.”
- I lived in Tealing before all the houses were built in Inveraldie, and have always considered that I live in Tealing. The village hall is in Inveraldie.
- “A safe crossing across the A90 may help reunite the community. However, a better suggestion would be to incorporate all residents to the east of the A90 into the Murroes CC area.”
- “Get a drinks licence for the Hall, put on dances, and make the Hall easier to book.”

### Other issues



As well as these main issues that were highlighted there also a few other issues that people saw as community issues.

- “Better access to visit cemetery and see family graves.”
- “Easier access to visit cemetery.”

- “Housing is limited for young as most of council stock has been sold in past.”
- “Secondary education is provided at Forfar meaning after school activities restricted due to transport or relying on parents to provide.”
- “I would like to see the Scout Hall taken down as it is almost derelict. “
- “Refuse the multitude of wind farm applications!”
- “Possibly a bus service which comes into the village in the afternoon.”
- I live at the Murroes side of Tealing and there’s nothing at all for kids on this side, e.g. Play Park, pitch or anything.

### **Next Steps**

The aim of this appraisal was not just to give a snapshot of the area at one given time but to give people the opportunity to express what they would like to see improved in their area and to give them the opportunity to get involved in that community development.

In 2010 the Tealing Community Council developed the Tealing Action Plan (See Appendix 3) which aims to work on many of the issues that have been raised during this appraisal.

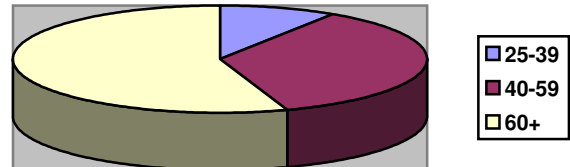
If you would like to get involved and work on any of the issues that have been highlighted in this report or any other issues that you think affect the community of Tealing & Inveraldie then please contact Tealing Community Council or visit [www.tealingvillage.org](http://www.tealingvillage.org)

You can also contact Angus Council’s Monifieth & Sidlaw Local Community Planning Team at any time on 01241 803561/ 803562/ 803563 or at [monifiethlcpt@angus.gov.uk](mailto:monifiethlcpt@angus.gov.uk)

## **Appendix 1: Profile of Respondents**

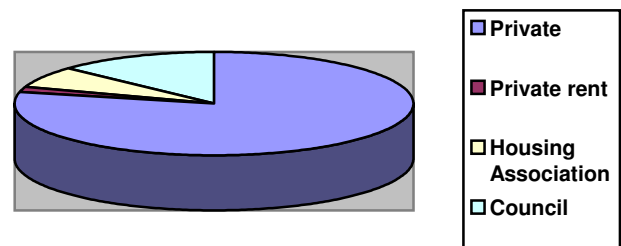
### **1. Age range of Respondents**

25-39	10%
40-59	35%
60+	55%



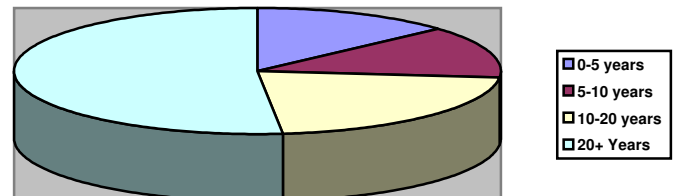
### **2. Housing Tenure**

Private	74%
Council	12%
Private rent	2%
Housing Association	6%



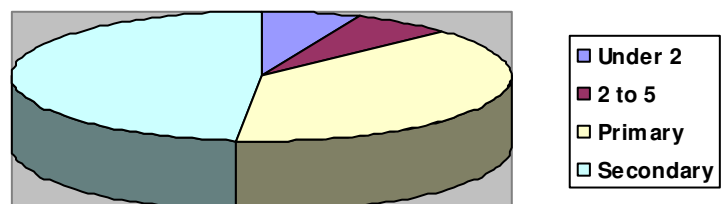
### **3. Time Living in Tealing & Inveraldie**

0-5 years	12%
5-10 years	12%
10-20 years	20%
20+ years	56%



### **4. Age range of U'18s from respondents who had children**

Under 2	9%
2-5	6 %
Primary School	38%
Secondary School	47%





## **Appendix 2: Questionnaire**

### **Tealing & Inveraldie RESIDENTS QUESTIONNAIRE 2012**

#### **Introduction**

The Local Community Planning Team (Carnoustie & District, Monifieth & Sidlaw), of Angus Council, is carrying out a Community Appraisal in Tealing & Inveraldie. The appraisal will aim to give Inveraldie and Tealing residents the opportunity to state what is good about living in their area and what can be improved; to formally inform Angus Council, and other public service providers e.g. Tayside Police, what it is like to live in these communities; and to also inform such providers of what they can do to help address issues that will be highlighted in the appraisal process. A crucial part of this process is this questionnaire, and your help in completing and returning is very important.

#### **Confidentiality**

Any answers that you provide on this questionnaire will be confidential and will not be used for any purpose other than to contribute to the Community Appraisal. Any personal details which you may also provide will not be shared with any other individual or organisation under any circumstances.

#### **PLEASE PRINT ALL ANSWERS**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION - Please tick appropriate boxes**

##### **Question 1 – Your Age Range**

Under 16 ☐ 16-24 ☐ 25-39 ☐ 40-59 ☐ 60+ ☐ I would rather not say ☐

##### **Question 2 – Gender**

Male ☐ Female ☐ I would rather not say ☐

##### **Question 3 – Housing Tenure**

Privately Owned ☐ Privately Rented ☐ Council Rented ☐ Housing Association ☐

I would rather not say ☐

##### **Question 4 - How long have you lived at your current address?**

0 – 1 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 – 3 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	4 – 5 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	10 – 20 years	<input type="checkbox"/>
1 – 2 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 – 4 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	5 – 10 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over 20 years	<input type="checkbox"/>

##### **Question 5 – How many children, under the age of 18, live in your house hold?**

**Question 6 – Age range of number of children stated in above answer (e.g. if there are 2 children in the 2 – 5 years range, please write the number 2 in that box)?**

Under 2 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	Primary School Age	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 – 5 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secondary School Age	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### **GENERAL OPINIONS**

**Question 1** - What do you think of services in your area: Council Services e.g. bin collection, play park, football pitch, school, pavements and roads, youth facilities, cemetery, housing, older peoples services, etc; Emergency Services; Voluntary Organisations e.g. Angus Voluntary Action (previously known as Volunteer Centre Angus, and Angus Association of Voluntary Organisations), Angus Carers, Penumbra, etc; Further Education Providers e.g. Angus College; Transport, and Other?

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**Question 2** - Do you have any suggestions for improving services in your area? If so, please specify?

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**Question 3** - How would you describe the area you live in? ***Please tick all that apply***

Quiet		Noisy	
Safe		Dangerous	
Friendly		Unfriendly	
Lots to do		Nothing to do	
Clean		Dirty	
Well kept		Neglected	
Peaceful		Intimidating	
Low crime		High crime	
Well lit		Not well lit	
Plenty of amenities e.g. shops, leisure facilities, parking etc.		Not many amenities e.g. shops, leisure facilities, parking etc.	

**Question 4** - (From initial consultation, amongst the views expressed to the Local Community Planning Team staff, it was said that a long standing concern is that in many ways Inveraldie and Tealing do not seem to be a united community ...) What

would it take to bring the villages of Inveraldie and Tealing together in order to feel like one whole community?

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Question 1** - Would you be willing to become more involved in order to make your community a better place to live in? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, please provide your name and contact details? Name

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Address (including postcode)

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Telephone Number/s

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Email

Address

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**Question 2** - Any other comments?

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**THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE, YOUR OPINIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO US!**

*We will be feeding back the findings of this appraisal at an event to be held in Tealing Primary School on Thursday 16 August 2012, 6.30pm which you are invited to attend.*



### Appendix 3: Tealing Action Plan

## Tealing Community Action Plan 2011 – 2015

(Last updated 25 June 2011)

### Introduction

Based on the responses to the Tealing Residents Survey undertaken in 2010, Tealing Community Council (TCC) proposes the following action areas for attention during its four year term of office. The list is not exclusive and TCC will continue to respond to any other emerging issues and developments as appropriate. Clearly, we cannot hope and nor do we have the resources to do everything in the first year – so we have indicated in which year they are likely to be tackled. Those activities not yet confirmed or scheduled are marked TBC (to be confirmed) but will be discussed at each meeting to review their importance and/or urgency. Residents are encouraged to speak to one of the community councillors if they have any comments/feedback. **(With effect from Aug 2011 this Action Plan will be discussed at every TCC meeting, where progress will be regularly reported by those listed below)**

Topic	Specific Objective/s	Lead Responsibility	Timescale
Road Safety	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 20mph limit on School Road</li><li>2. A90 - 50mph speed limit through Tealing and for improved pedestrian access and safety</li><li>3. More pavements and footpaths throughout Tealing</li><li>4. Through-way from Inveraldie to Tealing road (avoiding the A90)</li><li>5. Speed control on Newbigging Road</li></ol>	AH/LH/JS	During 2011 2011/12  2011/12 2012/13  2011/12
Planning Developments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Regular review of all planning applications</li><li>2. Tealing Electricity sub-station expansion</li></ol>	AH GR	Continuous 2011 - 2014
Public Transport	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Regular review of the frequency and quality of the service provided</li><li>2. Explore the availability of other community transport initiatives</li></ol>	To be confirmed (TBC)	TBC
Regular Community Activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Regularly review the availability of local activities (in the</li></ol>	JS	Continuous

	hall and elsewhere in the area) 2. Respond to any local demand for new activities e.g. badminton, choirs, amateur dramatics, walking club, cycling club etc		2011/12
<b>Information, Communication &amp; Consultation</b>	1. Website management and development 2. Email alerts ( to those registered on the village mailing list) 3. Publication of newsletter Tealing News 4. Public notice boards 5. Next Residents Survey 6. Relationship building with all groups and organisations active in the village 7. Develop good links with Tealing Primary School (encouraging the children to learn about the village's history and heritage)	SJB SJB SJB GR To be confirmed ALL - project by project  KD	Continuous Twice month 3 per annum Continuous 2012/13 2011 – 2015  Continuous
<b>Environment</b>	1. Core path development 2. Tealing Churchyard - car parking and accessibility 3. Recycling facilities 4. Keep Tealing Tidy initiatives 5. Memorials and monuments – maintenance and upkeep	LH/AH SJB TBC TBC TBC	2011/12 2011/12 2012/13 2012/13 Continuous
<b>Major Events</b>	1. Christmas tree lights switch on 2011 2. Hogmanay 2011 3. Tealing Olympics Celebration Weekend June 2012 4. Royal Jubilee Celebrations 1-4 June 2012	ND/JS/SJB   TBC	2011/12   
<b>Monitoring &amp; Evaluation</b>	1. Review progress against this plan at every TCC meeting 2. Establish what support and advice is available for this plan from the Angus Council Local Community Planning Team 3. Regularly report progress to residents – using the communication channels in section 5 above	Chair/Secretary GR  All/SJB	Continuous 2011  Continuous

#### Key to Abbreviations

GR - Community Councillor Graeme Reoch (Chair)

ND - Community Councillor Nicki Donaldson (Secretary)



SJB - Community Councillor Sandra Burke  
KD - Community Councillor Kay Dennis (Treasurer)  
AH - Community Councillor Alex Henderson  
LH - Community Councillor Lindsay Hay  
JS - Community Councillor Janet Stewart  
RT - Community Councillor Bob Taylor  
AC – Angus Council