

EQIA report

Throughout the community engagements and consultations carried out by the 3As team equality and inclusion have always been of paramount concern.

- Engagement activities were set up in a variety of locations, both indoor and in the open. All sites were easily accessible. There were also digital consultations using social media and a virtual exhibition. A postcard survey, inviting comment, was sent to every house in PH26 3 and there were further local deliveries to specific locations.
- Specific consultations were carried out at Lynmore Care Home and both schools. Engagement events involved “Equal Adventure” on two occasions, health centre staff and the local “Buggy” Club as well as key members of cycle groups.
- At drop in sessions there were extended discussions with a wheel chair user and a partially sighted lady.
- Conversations were held with parents with young children both walking and with buggies and one in a wheelchair.
- Time was taken to walk the route with a mother and young child, a play park organiser, a group of Sustrans officers, a blind lady and a partially sighted gentleman . The route was cycled with elderly and infirm using e-trikes and with one partially paralysed lady using a hand cycle.
- On several occasions we did try to make contact with the local Strathspey and Badenoch Access Group but with no success.

From all these interactions the team received numerous useful suggestions all of which have been recorded and will be incorporated into future detailed technical design work. Dates and further details including photographs are included in the engagement report.