## Ullapool Shore Street Widening and Promenade & Small Boat Harbour Development



On 4<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Ullapool Harbour Trust (UHT) and Transport Scotland along with design engineers Wallace Stone LLP and environmental consultants Affric Limited hosted two public consultation events at which plans for the widening of Ullapool Shore Street and a Promenade and Small Boat Harbour development were presented. Over 130 people attended these events – a fantastic turnout.

Following the events feedback was sought via online questionnaire, the deadline for which has now closed. More than 90 questionnaires and letters were completed and submitted. For Affric, who regularly facilitate stakeholder events, this level of engagement is the highest they have ever experienced in a project of this nature.

Chair of Lochbroom Community Council, Topher Dawson, said "It's great to see so many members of the community showing an interest in this important development. The volume and content of comments received demonstrate just how passionate Ullapool residents are about the area."

A number of key themes have come through in the consultation responses, including the need for the development to be aesthetically pleasing and requests for specific considerations for cyclists.

UHT Harbourmaster Kevin Peach commented "The project is intended to develop a safe, long-lasting and attractive amenity for Ullapool and it's important to get it right. It's taken three years to develop to its present stage and on the whole the physical elements have been welcomed by stakeholders. We are now working through the comments raised to further improve the plans and all being well, the aim is to start construction in autumn 2021."

Updated project plans will be displayed on the harbour website and shared with the community in the coming weeks prior to submission of planning and marine licence applications. UHT would like to thank all those who responded to the consultation for getting in touch and look forward to continuing the engagement as the project moves forward.