

Received via email [Dated 24 March  
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Dear Saffron

This email is in response to the invitation to receive further views and support from stakeholders in respect of the SSEN Transmission Killin VISTA Project.

I live in Killin and am Treasurer of the Killin & Ardeonaig Community Development Trust (KAT).

I agree that there is general support for the concept of pylon removal and recognise that the proposal will address mitigation and restitution. I consider the appropriate agencies to be KAT, the Killin Community Council, LLTNP, NTS, Stirling (and perhaps Perth) Council(s) and local landowners.

I understand that eligible mitigation works include "recreation and social activities" and am keen that the opportunity for this wider community benefit is not missed, particularly in respect of pedestrian path and cycleway enhancement in the vicinity of the village of Killin, but not necessarily restricted by the LLTNP boundary. Such improvement to walking and cycling infrastructure would benefit the health and wellbeing of locals and visitors alike.

I am aware that a similar opportunity has previously been taken in Lochgilphead and I hope that this could be replicated in Killin. I know that SSE is a significant employer locally and would invite them to think of any support they might offer as a worthwhile investment in the welfare of this community. Indeed, they may wish to think of the possibilities for positive public engagement with the SSE brand that might arise from creating pedestrian and cycle routes that guide visitors to their sites, including the Lawers dam.

Kind regards,  
Mark Beaumont