

# International Resources and Recycling Institute

WARES Project  
Pilot Sites Update  
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# Community Pilot Site

Evanton, Inverness-shire.



River Glass at Redburn Weir

# Kiltearn Community Council

- Community council for the local area, including the village of Evanton
- Evanton is 7 miles North East of Dingwall and 18 miles North of Inverness
- Community Council area has 1678 inhabitants and 671 households
- Rapid growth in population
- Higher than average number of youths live in the catchment area

# Existing Community Amenities

- Small Community Hall for use by local organisations
- No additional community owned assets
- Community Council “buy in” to WARES
- Ageing Community Council, looking for fresh ideas and impetus
- Desire to generate revenue to assist youth projects

# The Opportunity

- Scottish Water has a redundant abstraction facility located at this weir
- Access to site is relatively easy
- Velocity of water is sufficient for hydro development
- Grid infrastructure is close by
- Local community within easy reach

# Next steps

- Follow up meeting planned with Community Council in Jan to build on existing support
- Decide on project(s) which they would wish to support from WARES Pilot
- Full on-site grid study to be completed
- Prepare draft business case
- Meeting with Scottish Water, Community and IRRI to finalise full business case

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IRRI to engage with the following WP tasks to move forward the pilot site –

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- Task 4.6 – Co2 Reductions
- Task 5.1 – Analysis of Social Context
- Task 5.2 – Social Investment potential
- Task 5.3 – Social Investment Plans

# Community Pilot Site

Roybridge, Inverness-shire





## Spean Bridge, Roybridge and Achnacarry Community Council

- Roybridge lies 3 miles east of Spean Bridge, North Lochaber and has a population of 450 people
- North Lochaber population of 1680 people in 840 households
- Low population growth
- Ageing population
- High demand for tourism in the area

# Existing Community Amenities

- No community owned assets in place at present
- Small and inactive community council
- Community Council “Buy in” to WARES
- Dynamic Community Council Chairman
- Lack of capacity within Community Council
- Desire to increase capacity of CC and to generate ongoing revenue for benefit to community as a whole

# The Opportunity

- Scottish Water has a non operational water abstraction facility located at a dam on the hillside
- The dam is 290 metres above sea level
- 210m above Spean River
- Asset has fallen into state of disrepair
- Electricity Connection is an issue with nearest site being 1km away

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# Questions