

I have been involved in Community Council affairs for over 15 years and served as Vice Convener and Treasurer. As treasurer I have been responsible for all financial matters seeking and securing funding for various Village Enhancement projects, on an annual basis. I have also been involved with external agencies, again ensuring that Loch Goil residents are made aware of what is happening and where we can be involved in and around the National Park. I was also a Trustee of the Community Partnership, was involved in Area Networks supporting communities in the area and with the Community Trust supporting local projects.

I am proud to have served the Lochgoil Community Council for the past two years as a permanent resident / local business owner. I have held to my values by ensuring that I represented the majority of the community. As an active member of the community raising funds for Christmas dinners / Children's party. A semi-retired professional with a background in social housing (Executive Director) including community involvement / development initiatives and resident engagement. I have reported to council committees / boards, ensuring best practice as community representative. I have excellent communication skills, an ability to analyse, problem-solve and generate ideas.



This election is an opportunity to make Lochgoil Community Council more representative and more responsive to different views, concerns and ideas. We can work better together with the two community trusts, the village hall and other groups for everyone's benefit, especially those hit hardest by the cost of living crisis. I became Secretary eighteen months ago, and among my actions: I gave effective support to Carrick Castle residents in opposing a planning application, and in cooperation with the Parents' Council, I organised a special meeting and response to the plan for schools' reorganisation.

I would like to continue as a Community Councillor for Lochgoil as I have represented here for many years trying to make this glen a better place for us all. As well as being a Community Councillor, I have been on many Trusts and organisations in Carrick and Lochgoilhead, I have had some successes with these boards, including being Chair of the Lochgoil Community Trust and bringing a 20% share of the Hydro scheme to the community which has benefitted many organisations in the glen and as Chair of the Jetty Trust with its new upgrade and continued improvement.