

REPORT

Area covered

1. Point Garry to Lechenbane.
2. All public areas of harbour/esplanade.
3. Road as far as Lifeboat Station.
4. All slipways east and west of harbour.

Short term vision (2 - 4 years)

1. Clean Up:
 - waste oil collection point;
 - tyre Removal;
 - battery removal;
 - scrap removal.
2. General Enhancement:
 - improve pedestrian surfaces;
 - make wheelchair/buggy friendly - ramp to allow disabled access to upper level of old pool and Platcock path area.
3. Environmental Spill kit should be available for emergency response to fuel/oil spills.
4. Fire Points, fire suppression system ie. wash down hoses around harbour.
5. Facilities upgraded to include water, power, fuel & pumpout services.
6. Badly corroded fencing above sea gate should be replaced, before it fails with someone leaning on it. Also all harbour wall ladders to be maintained/replaced. Similarly all railings.
7. Pontoons in the harbour and also between the low quay steps along past the slipway at Fisherman's stores.
8. Recessed Ladders with hand poles, should be looked at if pontoon idea does not go ahead. In particular, need to replace rope & tyre 'ladders' with something safer.
9. Provide Notice boards.
10. Hydraulic boom installation system with enough "Duty" to be used for engine installation / removal etc, re-design single boom, also other lifting ops in controlled situations (Training for key people).
11. Preserve the old crane.
12. Harbourmaster's 'hours of business' & other information board, signage.
13. Review of safety/rescue equipment.
14. Lighting Platcock rocks & the harbour wall.
15. Hard Standing area for trailer parking with 'designated area' signage.
16. Encourage more memorial seats along west pier.
17. Erection of (Secure) Information board for all charter boats to use.
18. Parking Notices: where you can park & where you can't park!
19. Use the esplanade cordoned off area (in 3 sections) more effectively:
 - keep the West section for dinghy parking;
 - use the middle section (presently vacant for most of the time) for additional dinghy parking;
 - vacate the East section (presently used for dinghy parking) and use for a parking area for visiting divers & anglers - next to the old swimming pool changing rooms. Controlled by charter boat skippers.

This will provide more dinghy parking than at present (there is now a waiting list), as well providing space for divers etc.
20. An upgrade of the old swimming pool changing rooms & toilets for visiting water sports users.
21. Use the esplanade 'free space' more effectively. eg. for allocating space for trailer parking (#14 above).
22. Implement harbour pontoon plan : based on or adapted from plan previously documented (add reference here???)

Medium term vision (5 – 10 years)

23. Traffic barrier control with entry by fobs. Parking on the esplanade for harbour users.
24. Marked and designated area for creel storage.
25. Marked and designated area for Timber Storage

26. Re. design and rework of Galloway's pier possibly a two tier all tide workable platform, NBHTA should be very clear if pier is "Safe to Use" re. recent survey work! (add reference here ???)
27. Further develop facilities for divers, kayakers, changing, kit wash down, barrows for kit to boat load/unload.
28. Hot drinks and food (Franchise Stance rental).
29. Launching ramp at Elcho green. Hard standing on beach for small dinghy storage. West Bay moorings access, possibly widen existing slip. Honesty Box emptied each evening?
30. CCTV (harbour area)
31. Harbour dredging (is it necessary?) maybe at the East end, particularly the SE corner.
32. Creation of passenger access steps at harbour mouth.
33. Simple Gallows style derricks for lifting lowering catch, bait or equipment.
34. A breakwater from the outer end of Plattcock rocks projecting west.
35. A floating pontoon with riser piles added to the end of Galloway's Pier with a hinged walkway access from the top of the existing path.
36. A low water landing quay with recessed ladders extending from Galloway's Pier southwards built on top of existing rock base.
37. A low water landing at the East side of Swinney Craig's with a walkway to the beach.
38. A floating pontoon along the outside of the South East harbour quayside with hinged access from crane area, (see #21 above).
39. A set of skeleton timber fingers set on the seabed at the Low Quayside for boats drying out on to enable below waterline repairs, painting etc.
40. Extension of harbour wall from NW corner (with the bollard on top), going West with pontoons on the inner side (South) especially for embarkation/disembarkation of passengers. (similar to #37 above).
41. New car park to East of SSC (moved from short to medium term – DL). Access via the disabled parking area at the West end of Melbourne Road. The car park would be a Northwards continuation of the existing disabled parking area, at the same level (ie. it would be below the line of sight from the SSC). It could continue to the esplanade or beyond, and would need boulder slopes as sea defences. No attempt would be made to make this an all weather, all the year round, car park and warning notices would be necessary to advise this. The size of car park would be set to match perceived needs and to help solve the car parking problem in the town.

Long term vision (10+ years)

42. Major Civil engineering works creating an all weather safe haven combined with improvements to the harbour environs we hope to be attracting visiting vessels from Scandinavia, Europe plus our own shores providing shelter, utilities and quality for the visitor by sea and land.
 - a. Breakwater east to west
 - b. Breakwater over Maidens
 - c. Hard standing west of Plattcocks

