

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WITHIN CARRADALE BY NETWORK
CARRADALE LTD**

1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to describe the proposals for the creation of a new slipway in Carradale harbour by Network Carradale Ltd.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Members note the contents of this report.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 There has been a long held ambition initially by Carradale Harbour Users Group and latterly by Network Carradale Ltd to enhance the offering for tourists made at Carradale. An essential element of the overall master plan includes for the construction of a slipway to the west of the car park that would allow access to the water space for both recreational and business purposes. The new slipway would be owned and managed by Network Carradale Ltd.
- 3.2 The purpose of the slipway is primarily to allow the launching and retrieval of day boats up to a Redbay Stormforce 12 which is the vessel type used by Kintyre Express and other small craft from trailers including kayaks. It should be noted that the design will only extend the slipway to a point within the harbour approximately two thirds of the way to the low mean water mark. This will affect accessibility but in order to achieve 24 hour access would be too costly. It is not intended that the slip will be used during the hours of darkness and on this basis no additional lighting has been provided for other than that already present. The fees for users will be collected through an honesty box.
- 3.3 The slipway will be constructed from concrete and be approximately 4.5m wide at a gradient of 1:8. The intention is to utilise the natural topography and build on rock where possible. The seaward edge of the car park is currently

protected by rip rap although it is proposed to add to this in order to provide a protective landward edge for the slipway. There is a natural channel within the harbour which will require widening to 5m and the rock won from this process will be used to create a new breakwater to the north thereby affording a degree of protection. See appendix 6.1 for an illustrative sketch.

4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 The slipway proposal forms an essential element of the master plan and will provide access to the water space for both leisure and business users. Network Carradale intend applying for FLAG funding.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Policy - None

5.2 Financial – None

5.3 Legal A lease will require to be drawn up for the use of land over the car park and the creation of the slip.

5.4 HR None

5.5 Equalities - none.

5.6 Risk FLAG funding may not be awarded and the project will not progress.

5.7 Customer Service The proposal will enhance the Harbour facilities for both leisure and business users.

6.0 APPENDICES

6.1 Illustrative sketch of proposals

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APPENDIX 6.1

DRAWING

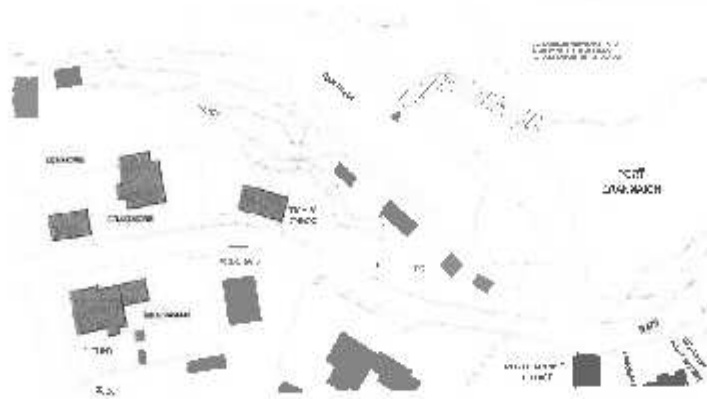


Illustration 1 - Location

