

Consultation Questions

Glasgow 2014 - Delivering a Lasting Legacy for Scotland

Question 1: QUESTION 1: Are the benefits you would like from the games covered in this paper?

The legacy should extend as far as possible throughout Scotland

Question 2: QUESTION 2: Is there anything else we should be doing?

Replace school playing fields that have been sold off for house building. Look for projects that extend beyond sport and beyond Glasgow.

<p><i>Question 3: QUESTION 3: How can we, individually or collectively, best achieve these aims?</i></p>	<p>Consider carefully suggestions made in this consultation. Do let it be just a formality. Sometimes organisations and private individuals have some of the best ideas.</p>
<p><i>Question 4: QUESTION 4: Do you have any other comments to offer on what should feature in the final games benefits and legacy plan?</i></p>	<p>In our organisation we try to encourage sustainable transport, mainly by rail from Glasgow to the West Highlands. (Fort William, Mallaig and Oban.) By 2014 the existing rolling stock on the West Highland Lines will be nearing the end of its useful life. The traditional way of replacing it is to cascade stock from another line somewhere else in the UK, or to use a new build that happens to be getting built at the time. Both methods have never resulted in the scenic West Highland Lines getting trains fit for purpose on Britain's most scenic rail journey of some 5 hours. (Longer than Edinburgh to London) Along with Edinburgh a journey to the Highlands is likely to be the most popular games tourist destination from Glasgow. Tourism is likely to increase in the years following the games. A lasting legacy would be to ensure the West Highland Lines had new and suitable trains in service ready for the 2014 games. The railway industry will meet the bulk of the costs but special designs sometimes cost a little bit extra. This is where the legacy would come in. This meets the objective of promoting a shift towards more sustainable, healthy and active forms of transport, like cycling and walking. The new trains would be designed to carry more bicycles so improving transport facilities for cycle tourists. This would use the games as a focus for increasing tourist capacity in Scotland.</p>