

North West Highlands Geopark Progress report – March 2008

1. The EGN conference was an overall success
2. The contract for the Geopark Officer (Issie's job) has been extended until March 2008. Funding is in place for a further 12 months, this time for two posts. Issie will not continue as Geopark Officer and the Geopark has been recruiting a new Geopark Officer, who should be in place soon.
3. A Development Strategy was commissioned from a management consultancy. The Geopark is now trying to implement their recommendations to improve our management and make it more effective.
4. Final consultation report for the renovation of the Durness Visitor Centre has been delivered; we are now looking how to implement the recommendations.
5. SNH (partner and manager of the Knockan Crag Visitor Centre) has started a public consultation, inviting views and proposals how to improve and renovate the Visitor centre and Geological Trails.
6. The Educational CD: "People in a Glacial Landscape" – The North West Highlands Geopark has been finished and has been distributed to ALL secondary schools in Scotland. This was a co-production between the North West Highlands Geopark, British Geological Survey and the Scottish Association of Geography Teachers. We will bring a few to Beigua!

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