ALPS update for Management Group 30th March 2012

- ➤ **Reporting:** A 2nd funding claim has been made to HIE, a 6th funding claim for £98K was approved by HLF, and two claims submitted to SNH and the Forestry Commission have been approved and paid.
- > ALPS Newsletter: The fourth ALPS newsletter has been printed and distributed.
- ➤ Clachan Church: The windows are now in place; the roof works are largely complete (thanks to the good weather); the balcony, store and toilet are complete; the gallery is now accessible; the heating is complete; the pulpit has been moved. We are still waiting for the coloured glass components of the windows. Some stone work (skews etc.) is still required, and repairs have yet to be done to the west gable end. The project is on schedule to be completed by early May.
- Archaeological Trail: Good progress on this has been made with 300m of new path constructed in March, 150m of old path repaired and the drainage of 500m of forest track repaired. It is anticipated that all path works will be completed by mid April. The next phase will concentrate on waymarking.
- Ardheslaig path: This contract was awarded to George Mundell. Works to begin in May.

 Interpretation: An Events Programme for 2012 has been drafted and final versions of Milton and Carnoch leaflets are now complete (2,000 copies of each to be printed). Work will now concentrate on finalising the text for the new walks leaflet. Present target for printing end April
- > Coillegille path. All path works scheduled under ALPS for Coillegille have now been completed.
- **Carnoch path** This route has been waymarked and is completed.
- > Guided walks The new season of guided walks will begin on the week of 2nd April.
- > **South Coast Deer Fence** Good progress has been made on this project with the fencers now approaching Milton and Toscaig, Culduie, and Camusterrach sections largely complete.