P13 Postie's Path Management and Maintenance Action Plan

The Postie's Path Project has been a partnership between the Scottish Wildlife Trust, Ramblers Scotland and Coigach & Assynt Living Landscape. The project funded important upgrade work to improve the condition of the path and better waymarking which has made the route safer and more accessible to users whilst protecting the important habitats and natural beauty of the area. Interpretation panels have also been installed along the route to inform visitors about the wildlife, heritage and history of the path and local area to enhance visitor experience. The management and maintenance plan is allocated a £5000 budget for ongoing management costs, agreed to be paid by Scottish Wildlife Trust from National Lottery Heritage Fund budget. Post project ongoing management and maintenance will be the responsibility of Scottish Wildlife Trust, with the support of volunteer helpers.

Asset/item to be maintain or managed	Work involved	Who will carry out work	When and how often work will be carried out	What resources are required (money, people, skills)	Budget Cost
Path: access and drainage features	Inspect and risk assess footpath and carry out required remedial action and maintenance	Scottish Wildlife Trust	Annually	Scottish Wildlife Trust staff and volunteers. 5 days volunteer input pa @£50 per day annually over 10 years. Contractors may be required for skilled technical repair work.	£3500

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Waymarkers	Inspect waymarkers and repaint as required.	Scottish Wildlife Trust	Annually – September/October	Scottish Wildlife Trust staff and volunteers. 5 days volunteer input every 5 years @£50 per day.	£500
People counter	Inspect and maintain, download data and change batteries. Analyse visitor trends.	Scottish Wildlife Trust	Twice a year – March and October	Scottish Wildlife Trust staff and volunteers.	£250
Interpretation panels	Inspect and clean panels to remove salt spray and debris, and keep access to panels clear.	Scottish Wildlife Trust	Annually	Scottish Wildlife Trust staff and volunteers.	£500
Contingency					£250