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Further to your request for comments on the Creative Industries, the following is our response to your questions.

1. Yes, we consider the Scottish Arts Council to be very supportive.
2. Yes
3. We would welcome more studio glass workers and more help for them to establish businesses.
4. a) NLCG has received strong support from the Scottish Arts Council in establishing an internationally important art glass centre in Caithness. This provides training for professional glass and other artists from all parts of the world in a state of the art studio in Lybster. It is at present developing a programme of cooperation with other art groups and institutions and outreach courses for schools.
b) Further financial support from local government would be welcome. Highland Council cultural policy is aimed almost entirely on Inverness which is of little benefit to the people of Caithness.

Regards

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