

## Highland wide Local Development Plan - Main Issues Report Consultation Summary and Actions Sheet

Reference Number:	<b>HWLDP-MIR-224</b>
Organisation/Individual:	Caithness Partnership (Koreen MacDougall)

**Action:**

Immediate Response Required	
Meeting required with Respondent	
Issue for Area Local Development Plan	
Further Information Required	
Other (Please Specify)	

*If no box ticked - issues raised will be dealt with in preparation of the Proposed Plan.*

**Issues Raised in Response:**

Purpose of Main Issues Report	
NPF2 for Scotland	
Vision for the Highlands	
Inverness and A96	
The A96 Corridor	
Phasing of Development	
Developer Contributions	
East Inverness	
Nairn	
Tornagrain	
Smaller Settlements in A96	
Caithness and North Sutherland	x
Easter Ross and Nigg	
Development of Local Centres	
Wider Countryside and Fragile Areas	
Population and Housing	
Housing in the Countryside	
Affordable Housing	
Planning for an Ageing Population	
Gypsies/Travellers	
Retailing	
Developer Contributions	
Natural, Built and Cultural Heritage	

Previously used Land	
Wild Land	
Water Environment	
Renewable Energy	
Flooding	
Waste Management	
Air Quality	
Sustainable Design	
Business and Industrial Land	
Accessibility and Transport	x
Agricultural Land	
Subdivision of Existing Crofts	
Allocation of Inbye Land	
New Crofting Township	
Small Scale New Crofts	
Coastal Development	
Forestry and Woodland	
Minerals	
Open Space and Physical Activity	
Access to the Outdoors	
Comments on Consultation Process (+ve)	
Comments on Consultation Process (-ve)	

**Key:**

Background	Spatial Strategy	Policy Options	Consultation
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**Notes:**

<p>Road infrastructure is key to growth in renewables sector Recognition should be given to Dornoch Rail Link</p>
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Action Sheet Completed by:	SH
Date:	10/12/09

**Simon Hindson**

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**From:** Koreen MacDougall [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 06 November 2009 16:20  
**To:** devplans  
**Cc:** John Green  
**Subject:** Highland Local Development Plan consultation

On behalf of Caithness Transport Forum I would like the following points to be noted in response to the Highland Local Development Plan consultation:

Question 8 - To allow the growth of marine renewables in the Pentland Firth it is paramount that the transport infrastructure within, from and to Caithness is strengthened. Major investment is required to ensure opportunities to replace jobs lost through the decommissioning of Dounreay are exploited.

Question 28b - Please recognise the importance of the Dornoch rail link, and the advantages of rail transport from an environmental viewpoint (reduction of carbon emissions).

Please recognise the need to invest heavily in the transport infrastructure within, from and to Caithness in order to build upon tourism opportunities, increase use of local transport (thus lowering carbon emissions) and to develop current business competitiveness.

Finally, for safety reasons alone, it is vital that the A9 and A99 are upgraded, as they are currently among the most dangerous roads in Scotland.

yours sincerely,

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