

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

Reference Number:	HWLDP-MIR-120
Organisation/Individual:	Lochbroom Community Council (Kenneth Morrison)

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	Previously used Land
NPF2 for Scotland	Wild Land
Vision for the Highlands	Water Environment
Inverness and A96	Renewable Energy
The A96 Corridor	Flooding
Phasing of Development	Waste Management
Developer Contributions	Air Quality
East Inverness	Sustainable Design
Nairn	Business and Industrial Land
Tomagraim	Accessibility and Transport
Smaller Settlements in A96	Agricultural Land
Caithness and North Sutherland	Subdivision of Existing Crofts
Easter Ross and Nigg	Allocation of Inbye Land
Development of Local Centres	New Crofting Township
Wider Countryside and Fragile Areas	Small Scale New Crofts
Population and Housing	Coastal Development
Housing in the Countryside	Forestry and Woodland
Affordable Housing	Minerals
Planning for an Ageing Population	Open Space and Physical Activity
Gypsies/Travellers	Access to the Outdoors
Retailing	Comments on Consultation Process (+ve)
Developer Contributions	Comments on Consultation Process (-ve)
Natural, Built and Cultural Heritage	

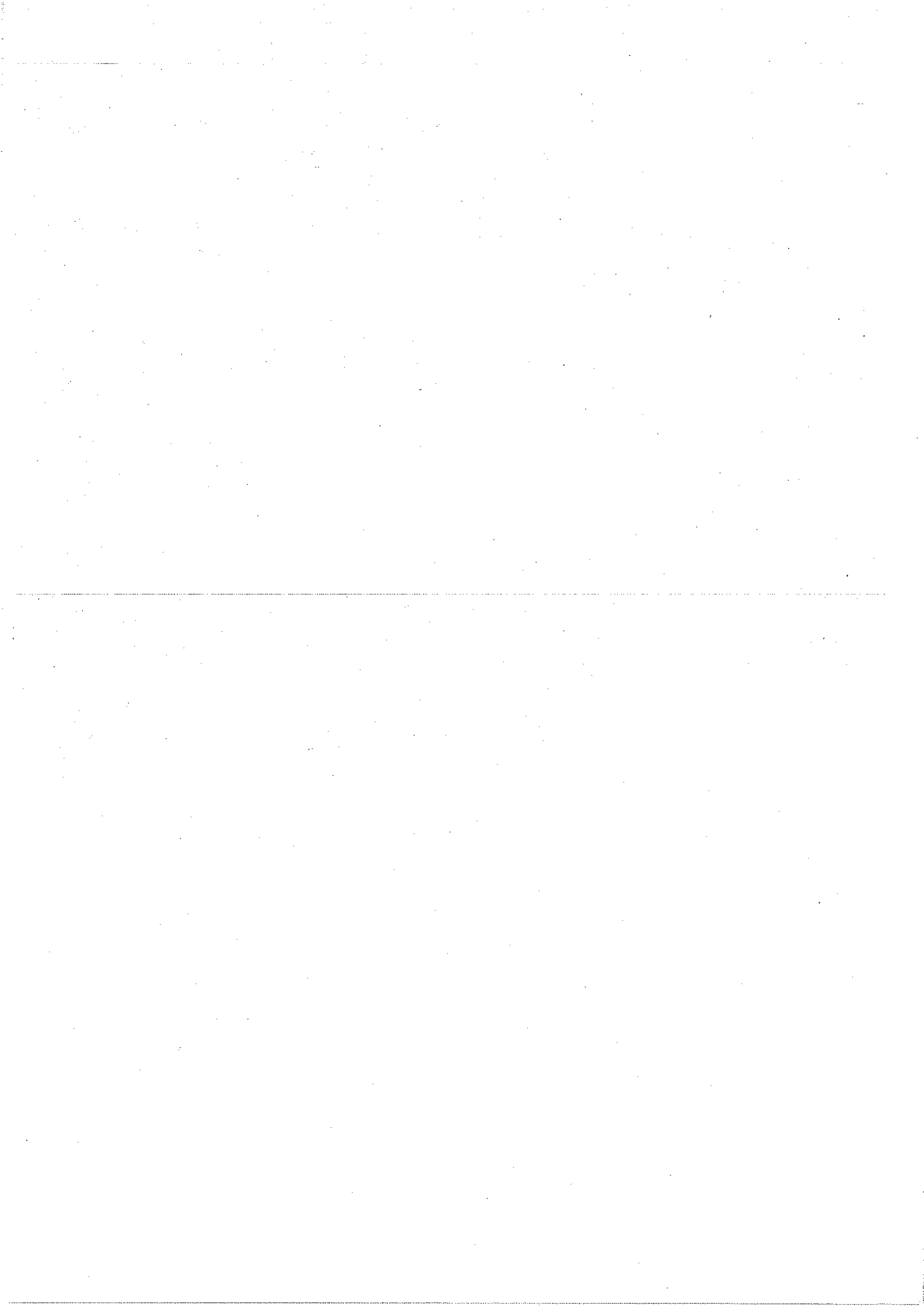
Key:

Background	Spatial Strategy	Policy Options	Consultation
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Notes:

The spatial strategy should further consider the West Coast of Highland
In general agreement with preferred policy approaches

Action Sheet Completed by:	SH
Date:	9/12/09





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14 November 2009

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Dear Malcolm

Highland Wide Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report

We are responding to your letter of 28th August 2009 and the above Report. We have chosen to respond by letter rather than complete the Questionnaire as this is more appropriate in view of what we wish to say. This response is of course on behalf of the community. We recognise that the community also had the opportunity to raise questions about or comment on the Report at an open day in Ullapool back in September.

To keep our response brief, we are in general agreement with the approach outlined in each of the Preferred Options starting from page 28 of the Report. However, we are making it clear that the Report lacks specific referral to the west coast in more or less all of the 'Issues' and this is of considerable concern to us.

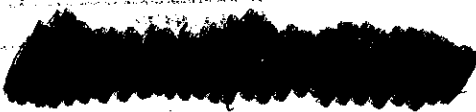
We have been fortunate to receive a copy of Lochaber Partnership and Fort William Steering Group's response to the Report. This Response has been received with considerable interest by us as it makes clear what must be of the key concern for residents up and down the west coast. To this end we wish to state that we fully concur with large sections of the 'Lochaber' report and the general spirit and message being portrayed therein.

We are most grateful to the people of Lochaber for giving permission for their response to be passed to us. Their Response is very much in line with our findings and we agree with more or less everything contained in it from page 5 para. 7, all of page 6, and page 7 with the exception of the first item "... Lochaber views itself as *the* event destination for Highland, ..." We might take a slightly different view on this point! Also, on page 7 item 4 we would replace referral to the A82 with the A835 and mention especially between Contin and Garve, the 'Tarvie bends'.

The most important thing to say about HwLDPlan – Main Issues Report is stated most effectively in Lochaber's **Summary item 1 and item 2** the two short statements at the foot of page 6. We agree that the report is almost totally biased to the east coast from Wick via Inverness to Nairn. This means it is an incomplete Report. Although therein resides the greatest population this in no way means that the west should be ignored. We agree that the

west coast must be added in as a separate and comprehensive chapter in order to take account of the very different, economic; infrastructure; social needs; and, environmental and natural characteristics of the sub-region. It must clearly be considered as important to the successful development of the highlands as a whole, as the more populated areas Highland-wide.

Yours sincerely



Kenneth Morrison, Chairman
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