

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

Reference Number: -	HWLDP-MIR-173
Organisation/Individual:	Mr John Dolan

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	x
Tornagrain	x
Smaller Settlements in A96	x
Caithness and North Sutherland	
Easter Ross and Nigg	
Development of Local Centres	
Wider Countryside and Fragile Areas	
Population and Housing	x
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	x
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:

Supports preferred options except:
 Nairn – Bypass should go ahead regardless of development
 Tornagrain – Too big and to the detriment of surrounding areas
 Smaller settlements should not rapidly expand should Tornagrain not go ahead
 Population and Housing – Highest projection overly ambitious
 Water environment – SEPA would ensure greater impartiality
 Accesibility/Transport – Commets Re: A96 / A9 and A82 / Transport Scotland

Action Sheet Completed by:	GW
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From: JOHN DOLAN [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 November 2009 22:02
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Subject: Comments on HwLDP

From John Dolan, 24 Society Street, Nairn IV12 4PF.

I support the Council's preferred options in the Highland wide Local Development Plan apart from the following questions listed below.

Q5 Nairn and the A96 Corridor

There appears to be an element of scare mongering in relation to the Nairn bypass: no development, no bypass. Either Nairn needs a bypass or it doesn't. The bypass should go ahead regardless of development or not.

Q6 Tornagrain in the A96 Corridor

Far too big. Will enhance fears of a "Greater Inverness" to the detriment of surrounding settlements at Ardersier and Croy as well as Nairn. Highland Council's handling of the Tornagrain proposals so far does not inspire confidence in the impartiality of Highland Council's planning department.

Q7 Smaller settlements in the A96 Corridor

There must not be rapid expansion of these settlements should Tornagrain, very unlikely, not go ahead.

Q12 Population and housing requirement

Go with lower projection. Highest one seems overly ambitious, given limited job opportunities.

Q22 Water environment

A separate independent body (such as SEPA) would ensure greater impartiality. SEPA may already have better expertise in this matter.

Q28b Accessibility and Transport

Agree in principle, but why is there no mention of the Nairn bypass among the key issues. Also, as long as the A96, A9 and A82 remain in the control of Transport Scotland how seriously can we take Highland Council's desire for improved transport links. It would seem to me that key elements of the Accessibility and Transport proposals amount to not much more than a wish list because Highland Council are dependent upon Transport Scotland (and developers!) for improvements to the trunk road networks throughout the Highlands.

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