

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

Reference Number:	HWLDP-MIR-207
Organisation/Individual:	Elsbeth Fraser

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	
NPE2 for Scotland	
Vision for the Highlands	
Inverness and A96	
The A96 Corridor	x
Phasing of Development	
Developer Contributions	x
East Inverness	x
Nairn	
Tomagrain	
Smaller Settlements in A96	
Caithness and North Sutherland	
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	
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:

Agree with most preferred options -- recognise difficulty of prioritising projects in current economic climate for benefit of existing population.
 Dualling of A96 should be a priority
 Time scales of infrastructure should be emphasised
 Clarity needed on terms of high, medium and low density

Action Sheet Completed by:	SH
Date:	10/12/09

Dawn Sutherland

From: Roderick Fraser [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 November 2009 10:39
To: devplans
Subject: Comments on dev plans

As instructed by the Chairman of the Balloch Community Council. I have attached my comments on the development plans, It must be extremely difficult to prioritise the different projects in the current economic climate for the benefit for the existing population.

Regards
Elspeth Fraser
Balloch

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Comments on Highland wide local Plan

I have always been aware of the plans to develop the area from Tain to along the Moray Firth area since the early 1970's. It was one of the reasons that made the area so attractive for my husband and me to uproot our growing family from our lovely home on the Ayrshire coast. My husband's line of work was in heavy industry so we had a choice to move to another industrial area or to the highlands. We chose the Highlands. Thirty two years on very little of the development plan of that earlier time has been fulfilled except sprawling, tasteless housing developments with no heart. The oil industry fabrication yards are gone. No Highland University has been built on its own site just more development plans and lots of talk. Our children left home at an early age to complete their education and some have not returned because of the lack of job opportunities. The highlands are losing out on a well educated young work force. As a result I agree with most of the preferred options to the development plans.

I have listed some comments below:

Q2 A96 Corridor -

The Upgrading of this A96 trunk road to dual carriageway and the A9/A96 link should be seen as a top priority to lessen the congestion and to open up road for long term development on the A96 Corridor.

I am concerned too about the loss of agricultural land

Q3 Developer Contributions in A96 Corridor

I agree with their Preferred Option but special emphasis must be made on the time scale when items of the Infrastructure are to be completed e.g. schools, shops and linking roads. In the past some developments have been left without amenities after the housing has been completed by the developer. I worry about developers going out of business and another taking over as happened at Milton of Leys. Matar, the first developer there, promised Hotel, Golf course etc. All that has been provided is houses so far. Grass roots say put an hotel and golf course on the development plans and you will get permission.

Q4 East Inverness Area

I am concerned about the terms used on the Framework Plan of high, medium and low density housing. What precisely does that mean?

