

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

Reference Number:	<b>HWLDP-MIR-239</b>
Organisation/Individual:	Amy Walker

### 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	
Easter Ross and Nigg	
Development of Local Centres	x
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:

<b>Background</b>	<b>Spatial Strategy</b>	<b>Policy Options</b>	<b>Consultation</b>
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### Notes:

Wick and Thurso should be a sub-regional centre
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Action Sheet Completed by:	SH
Date:	10/12/09


**Dawn Sutherland**

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**From:** Simon Hindson  
**Sent:** 09 November 2009 11:36  
**To:** Dawn Sutherland  
**Subject:** FW: DEVELOPMENT PLAN AUGUST 2009

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Amy Walker [mailto:  
**Sent:** 09 November 2009 11:34  
**To:** Simon Hindson  
**Subject:** DEVELOPMENT PLAN AUGUST 2009

Below is the e mail I have been trying to send to the Development Plan address. Many thanks for your help in getting this to the right office.

Dear Sirs,

With regard to the Highland Wide Local Development Plan dated August 2009, I notice on the map on page 28, where it shows Regional, Sub-Regional and Local Centres, that Thurso and Wick would appear to have changed to INDIVIDUAL sub-regional centres, as opposed to the long held view that they should be looked at as a JOINT Sub-Regional centre.

This is highlighted in the Highland Structure Plan dated 2001 in Part One: Strategy, section 1.6.2, bullet point 3, where it clearly states that "...Fort William, Portree and Thurso AND Wick all act as sub-regional centres..." and also in the Caithness Local Plan Report of Public Local Inquiry dated February 2002 in Section 8 at paragraph 27, where it states that "Thurso and Wick have a JOINT role and are GROUPED TOGETHER as a Sub-Regional centre."

In view of the closeness of the two towns, and also their remoteness from other Sub-Regional centres, they have been joined to prevent any one town becoming more dominant, as has been experienced in the past. Previous reporters have clearly indicated that the joint structure is beneficial to the area and therefore should remain so as in the Highland Structure Plan 2001-2017.

I would appreciate your comments on the above and confirmation that Thurso and Wick will remain as a JOINT Sub-Regional centre.

Yours faithfully

Amy Walker

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