

**From:** West Highlands and Islands Local Development Plan  
**Subject:** FW: West Highland and Islands Local Development Plan [#418]

**Section 1:** NEIL FERGUSON

**Your personal  
and contact  
details**

**1.1 Name \***

**1.2 Are you? \*** a member of the public  
a landowner / developer  
an agent

**1.4 Name of  
Organisation  
(if applicable)** NEIL FERGUSON CHARTERED ARCHITECT

**Select a topic  
to comment  
on** Suggest sites for development

**Development** Sluggans

**Site 1**

**2.1 Address /  
Description of  
Site**

**2.2** Donal MacSween  
**Landowner's  
Name (if  
known)**

**2.4 Suggested  
Use/s** New hospital

**2.5 Site Area** 0.81  
**(ha) (if  
known)**

**2.6 How soon  
can the site** Within 5 years

be developed?

2.7 Select any Deep peat  
issues you are  
aware of that  
may affect  
development  
on the site

2.8 How will you or the developer of the site resolve any issues selected in question 2.7?

A New Hospital site is available in Portree from Mr. Donald MacSween at Sluggans, Councillor Gordon and Mr Harvey form the planning service have visited the site and from my professional experience is appropriate for development, next to the desired Helipad (as noted by NHS for a potential hospital site purchase in Fortwilliam) and next strategic public utility infrastructure including recycling and waste centre, also area business, social care, primary / secondary / and further education including transport hubs. And all as committed to publicly by officials at a public meeting in Edinbae at the closure of Gesto Hospital, Edinbane. The existing hospital and clinic can be used for the exponentially rising frail elderly population. (see inimages attached):

<http://www.whfp.com/2014/08/29/nhs-say-thanks-but-no-thanks-to-portree-hospital-site-offer/>

2.9 Please  
attach any  
additional  
information  
relevant to



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Strategic  
Environmental  
Assessment

Development Mointeach Mhor Portree

Site 2

2.10 Address  
/ Description  
of Site

2.12 Location  
Plan (please  
attach)



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2.13 Small Airstrip  
Suggested  
Use/s

**2.14 Site Area** 12 approx

(ha) (if  
known)

**2.15 How soon can the site be developed?** Within 5 years

**2.16 Select any issues you are aware of that may affect development on the site** Deep peat  
Protected landscape

**2.17 How will you or the developer of the site resolve any issues selected in question 2.7?** The following points are made in relation to strategic requirements and the application of structural funds to reduce peripherality and with equal treatment to Orkney and Shetland:

1. The opening up of Broadford Airstrip.
2. The provision of a small airstrip at the peatlands at Lonemore Dunvegan – Macleod Estate.
3. The provision of a small airstrip at the Mointeach Mhor at Portree.