

**From:** West Highlands and Islands Local Development Plan  
**Subject:** FW: West Highland and Islands Local Development Plan [#419]

**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

**1.3 Name of  
Client (if  
applicable)** VARIOUS

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

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

**Development** Glendale Peninsula

**Site 1**

**2.1 Address /**

**Description of  
Site**

**2.2  
Landowner's  
Name (if  
known)** VARIOUS

**2.3 Location  
Plan (please  
attach)**



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**2.4 Suggested** TRANSPORT & ENERGY

## Use/s

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

**2.6 How soon** 5–10 years  
**can the site**  
**be developed?**

**2.7 Select any** Road access  
**issues you are** Footpath access  
**aware of that** Poor (boggy) ground  
**may affect** No facilities close by  
**development**  
**on the site**

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

### SPP Design Guidance

There is a need for a strategic master plan for wind turbines in Skye. With the population at least trebling in the summer months due to the international significance of the visual amenity of the Isle of Skye the development of wind turbine sites has to have a strategy. A BIM model using OS Terrain data is a feasible and available technology of very reasonable cost visual amenity set of tools for realist analysis in line with Government strategy.

The North West Peninsula of Skye occupied by the Glendale Estate, Orbost and Husabost Estates projects out into the Minch and has a local climate suitable for constant wind generation. As a shareholder in the Glendale Estate I conform the Glendale Estate Committee of Management have a shared interest in this aspect. (See map attached).

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.
4. There is strong interest in Glendale and North Uist for a Pooltiel to Kallin Harbour (or Lochmaddy) shortest crossing to the Western Isles in line with Roy Pedersen's thesis in the book "Who Pays the Ferryman" – I can facilitate contacts for the land ownership in relation to the proposed new pier and road (see map attached).
5. As item 4 at Meanish Pier Milovaig the provision of a slipway and wave energy breakwater public private partnership initiative with a ferry operator or developer – the existing traffic in the summer would enhance the economy and tourism industry.
6. As item 4 to Meanish Pier Milovaig the provision of a new main hill road – as the existing roads in the Glendale

peninsula cannot cope with the existing volume of traffic this would free up the local winding roads for visitors walking increase safety and would enhance the economy and tourism industry. (see map attached).

7. The provision of full tourist facilities at Waterstein road for the use of visitors from all over the world that flood to the peninsula. A presumption in favour of development is required due to the numbers. Safety barriers and signs at the cliffs to reduce deaths due to the wind updraft at the edge of the cliffs. The creation of a scenic point at nist Point to control development with a localised masterplan is required.

8. Tidal Power at the Skinidin Islands for local income enhancement in a fragile socio-economic area. (see map attached).

## 2.9 Please

attach any

additional

information

relevant to

Strategic

Environmental

Assessment



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**Development** Skinidin Micro Hydro

**Site 2**

**2.10 Address**

**/ Description**

**of Site**

**2.11** Skinidin Shareholders

**Landowner's**

**Name (if  
known)**

**2.12 Location**

**Plan (please  
attach)**



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**2.13** Energy Generation

**Suggested**

**Use/s**

**2.14 Site Area** Varies

**(ha) (if  
known)**

**2.15 How** Within 5 years

soon can the  
site be  
developed?

2.16 Select  
any issues  
you are aware  
of that may  
affect  
development  
on the site

Road access  
Footpath access

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