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Dear Mr MacKenzie

THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL HIGHLAND WIDE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN HEARING

Mr Trevor Croft and Mr Robert Maslin two of the Reporters appointed by Scottish Ministers to examine the unresolved issues in respect of the above local plan, have decided that a series of hearings is needed to gather further information on certain matters.

The attached agenda confirms the matters to be considered at each hearing, along with the names of those who have been asked to take part. The hearings will consist of an informal discussion, led by the Reporters, in which they will explore the specified subjects in order that they can obtain the information they consider necessary to enable them to reach their conclusions and recommendations.

All of the hearings will be held within the Maclean Room, Eden Court Theatre, Bishops Road, Inverness, IV3 5SA. The venue has disabled access but please let us know if you have mobility needs or any other special requirements. You will see from the attached agenda that the hearing sessions will be held on Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 September 2011 starting at 10.00 a.m.

It should be noted that no other issues relating to the local plan will be considered at these hearings. The Reporters have sufficient written material and are not requesting statements. A fuller discussion programme will also be circulated before the hearing sessions.

Participation in the hearings

4 The Courtyard, Callendar Business Park, Falkirk, FK1 1XR
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Those who have been invited to take part in the hearings have been asked to confirm their participation to this office by Wednesday 24 August 2011.

Those who have not been invited to take part, but who previously lodged a representation with the council in relation to the subject matter of each hearing, have been assured that the Reporter has a copy and will be taking it into account. They will be able to attend and observe the hearing, and a copy of the agenda has been sent to them.

The next steps

Please now acknowledge receipt of this letter confirming that the council will participate for each of the hearings by the deadline stated.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about these arrangements

Yours faithfully

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Development Plan Officer**