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The Co-operative Group per Graeme Laing	GL Hearn Ltd	NS129 Fortrose Gap Site	We refer to the above consultation exercise being undertaken by The Highland Council in respect of the emerging Inner Moray Firth Local Development Plan and hereby submit the following response on behalf of our client The Co-operative Group. This submission is made further to our recent correspondence of 25th February 2013 regarding the Co-operative Group's desire to invest in Fortrose, specifically on land on the eastern side of Ness Road at its junction with the A862. Having reviewed the published consultation papers, we note that the Council are establishing the Ness Gap site in Fortrose as a preferred alternative site with a suggested change of use, from housing to mixed use/community/commerce. We also note that in proposing the change of use, the consultation papers establish that the Ness Gap site offers the following benefits: • Opportunity for relocated expanded food store (subject to proving no detrimental impact on town centre) • edge of centre location • provides flexibility for future • could improve parking situation in town centre • within easy walking distance of much of Fortrose • close to public transport connections The papers also note that the proposed change of use on the Ness Gap site could result in the loss of a potential primary school site. Our client is concerned at the suggested change of use in respect of the Ness Gap site and do not consider that this site represents an appropriate location for a relocated foodstore in Fortrose. Indeed, our clients wish to take this opportunity to reaffirm the terms of their previous correspondence which confirms the Co-op's intention to expand its store in Fortrose, their interest in land east of Ness Road at its junction with the A832 (identified MU3 in the Local Development Plan Main Issues Report.) and their view that this site represents the most suitable location for a relocated foodstore in Fortrose. Our clients wish to make it clear that the Ness Gap site would not meet their requirements for a relocated foodstore for a number of reasons. F
Graeme Laing	de riearri eta	N3123 FOR COSE Gap Site	The Community Council has no objection in principle to the development of this area but, given the sensitive landscape setting, it should not include the erection of warehousing and any new building should be designed to an
Liz MacKay Secretary	Tain Community Council	TAIN NS23, Glenmorangie	aesthetically high level with appropriate landscaping incorporated as an inherent part of the proposal.
Liz MacKay Secretary	Tain Community Council	TAIN NS28, Kirksheaf	The Community Council is happy to support housing over the previously identified area plus the site of the former sawmills. However, an important proviso ought to be that any development proposal makes allowance for safe and proper vehicular access, and one which does nothing to prejudice the setting of the property Croft Roy. Care ought to be taken to define properly the detailed boundary of the new zoning for, as currently represented, it appears to include the Tain Bowling Club. Due cognisance ought also to be had for the land currently set aside for cemetery expansion, and possibly even appropriate allowance made for a future extension, to avoid land-locking.
Liz MacKay Secretary	Tain Community Council	TAIN NS71, Land to south of A9	The Community Council wishes to reiterate the need to have land identified in this Local Plan for Business use. The site B1 owned by Glenmorangie Distillery and Mrs Stone is most likely to be compromised by the distillery's own development aspirations, as evidenced by a recent application for a warehouse access, submitted and subsequently withdrawn. The field owned by Mrs Stone is not large enough on its own to opportunities. As commented upon previously, the sites MU2 and MU3 identified for a mix of residential and business are wholly inappropriate for the latter use, given lack of visibility and poor access. Despite your reasoning as to the 'Cons' affecting the site we have put forward, the fact it is outwith the A9 by-pass is not applicable as a consideration since the precedent for development beyond it's line is well established. Distance from the centre of the settlement is completely irrelevant. With regard to access, the Community Council has long insisted upon improvements to the Morangie Road/A9 junction and such a business development as proposed would provide a perfect opportunity to tackle this important safety issue once and for all. Accordingly, the Community Council insists you review your position with regard to this site and its proposed use.
Mr A McArthur, Drummond Farm, Evanton per Steven Cooper	Bidwells	Evanton NS113	This letter is submitted on behalf of Mr A McArthur, Drummond Farm, Evanton in respect of the above. The consultation states that NS113 is a non-preferred site and lists the cons to the development of this site as: • Loss of prime farmland • Negative landscape and visual impact • Drainage network improvements required in support of the site, the assessment states • No flood risk • Close to village centre and primary school it is submitted that each of the development options promoted for Evanton will result in the loss of prime agricultural land. With limited opportunity for growth supported by brownfield land only, this is unavoidable. Accordingly potential housing land must be considered on merit. Furthermore, each development site proposed will have to resolve its own site specific drainage issues and network improvements. Compared to the significant infrastructure constraint at Teandallon, this is a minor issue, and not one that would prevent the development on site NS113. The key issue raised is the perceived negative landscape designation. The site is not readily visible in wider public areas. Indeed, it is only readily visible from Balcomie Street from the west and the Kiltearn Rd to the south. The site is not prominent in view from the A9 to the south, and is completely obstructed from the A9 to the east and north. An escarpment runs across the adjoining land to the north. There is already a house built on the upper level, Further to the north west there is also housing at the upper level, close to the railway. It is our opinion that the development of Site NS113 would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape character of the area. However, as a compromise, a revised site plan is attached which illustrates potential development land restricted in order to accommodate landscaping measures around the site. The revised plan allows for around two hectares of NS113 to be retained in agricultural landscaping around the boundaries. An additional allows for around two hectares of NS113 to be retained in a
Glenmorangie Company Ltd, Steven Cooper	Bidwells	Tain NS23	I attach a response to the IMFLDP additional sites consultation on behalf of the Glenmorangie Company Ltd. In our response to the IMFLDP Main Issues Report we suggested an expansion area based on the Company's ambitions at that time. However, since then and indeed since even this recent consultation period began, it has become apparent that Glenmorangie is keen to press ahead with expansion plans in an even shorter timescale than previously envisaged. Plan A attached shows a proposed expansion area for warehousing following the linear pattern of existing warehousing and those recently approved under planning permission 12/00424/FUL. The Company hopes to develop this area in the short term and ideally would like this area of land allocated. As I mentioned previously, since the MIR consultation the Company has reviewed its expansion plans and seeks to develop land on the west side of the A9 in a 5-6 year timescale. This is illustrated on the attached Plan B. I understand that this site was not previously highlighted in the MIR response, but again my client would ideally like to pursue an allocation. I understand that this site will raise many other issues, including access and perhaps a meeting to discuss the way forward would be in order?

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		Tain NS23	I write on behalf of The Glenmorangie Company Limited in respect of the above. My clients are fully supportive of the allocation of land at Glenmorangie Distillery, Tain for industrial/employment development. However, after reviewing and revising short term expansion plans, the company is keen to bring forward expansion plans and would like to use this opportunity to outline the revised short term expansion safeguard area. This identified land for additional warehouse development is in line with the existing warehouses and those approved under the grant of planning permission 12/00424/FUL, and further development around the distillery/visitor centre area. My client understands that improvements to the site access may be necessary and is keen to separate distally and visitor traffic on site. The company is currently considering all access options available. The Glenmorangie Distillery is vital to the local economy both as a means of employment provision and also as a tourist attraction. My clients therefore wish to ensure that sufficient land is allocated to meet local needs and to accommodate their own future expansion proposals. Accordingly my clients propose that the site B1 is retained as per the MIR settlement plan, and land surrounding the Glenmorangie Distillery is safeguarded for future expansion proposals. Paragraph 45 of the SPP is unequivocal in its support for economic development: Authorities should respond to the diverse needs and locational requirements of different sectors and sizes of businesses and take a flexible approach to ensure that changing circumstances can be accommodated and new economic opportunities realised. Removing unnecessary planning barriers to business development and providing scope for expansion and growth is essential. The planning system should support economic development in all areas by: • taking account of the economic benefits of proposed development in development plans and development management decisions, • promoting development in sustainable locations, particularl
			SAWD members have a particular interest in the Drynachan, Lochindorb and Dava Moors Special Landscape Area (SLA) and agree with the proposal to extend the boundary northwards (preferred extension)
Mrs. Pat Wells	STRATHDEARN AGAINST WINDFARM DEVELOPMENT:	Drynachan, Lochindorb and Dava S Moors Special Landscape Area (SLA)	and the suggested extension north and south west of the existing SLA as set out in the Council's recommendation (Main Issues Report Spring 2012). The extension will serve to better protect the landscape and cultural heritage of an area which is highly valued by local people and the many visitors for whom the Lochindorb, Dava and Drynachan countryside represents something special. We object to the proposed exclusions (shown in red on page 11 map) and the call for the Drynachan, Lochindorb and Dava Moors SLA designation to be abandoned (Section 3: 3.4.9). We are aware that the Tom nan Clach wind farm has recently been approved by the Scottish Government, despite the site falling within the existing SLA. However, there is a possibility of a Judicial Review. Whatever the final outcome for the Tom nan Clach wind farm, the SLA designation must be retained and the boundary extended in order to strengthen the case against further wind farm development in this special area now under increasing threat of industrialisation from wind turbines. For example, the Pol Lochaig wind farm scoping document states that the Tom nan Clach access will be used for the nine x 126m high turbines proposed for Cnochan Mor hill above the Findhorn gorge (close to the Tom nan Clach development). Scottish Planning Policy bestows some value to local and regional designations and we ask that Highland Council stands by its
			We have now had a chance to study some of the proposed extensions to the HInterland being proposed. We were surprised not to see the whole area of Stittenham to be included. We have always made representations that the
John Edmondson	Ardross Community Council	Hinterland	whole of Stittenham be included in the Hinterland area, and should extend further north than indicated on the maps. Indeed the Planning Authority has included a larger area previously. Given the fact that we have requested that the Hinterland area at Stittenham extend further north than indicated, it would be helpful if you could explain your reasons for not including.
John Wright	Strutt & Parker	Muir of Ord	LATE SUBMISSION We have reviewed the consultation document, specifically in respect of sites at Muir of Ord being considered for housing and would wish at this stage to raise our objection to the proposed site "6.13 Muir of Ord NS22, SW Muir of Ord" to the south of Corrie Road. Whilst we acknowledge the stated "pro" of development in this location as being to round off the western expansion of the settlement, we do not believe that this aspiration off sets the significant "con" identified of this site being its distance from the Primary School (and therefore its inherent sustainability). This also raises question marks over the ability to provide "safe routes to school" from the site, given the need to cross busy main roads and the railway. We would be surprised if there were not also access/road capacity issues with a development of this scale in this location. The development of this site could also have a potentially adverse impact on the setting of Castle Hill Scheduled Ancient Monument. We believe that a preferable area for the future (mixed use) expansion of Muir of Ord lies on the eastern side of the settlement, to the north of Black Isle Road (MIR Site MU3). We had sought to clarify the intention here in our MIR Representations, to rationalise the area proposed for development, and to address some of the identified "cons" of the site. We therefore remain of the view that this site is in close proximity to the school, and town centre, and provides an opportunity to enhance public recreational space in the area, and to resolve a currently difficult junction on the public highway. This would similarly provide for the long term growth of the settlement in a planned/phased manner in a sustainable location. Whilst we acknowledge this is a late submission, we do hope that you will take these comments in to account in preparing the Proposed Plan in due course.
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Gwyn Phillips		Fortrose Gap Site	EMAIL COMMENT TO SUPPORT ORIGINAL COMMENT IN UNIFORM CONTENT REFERS TO EMAIL FROM LOCAL GP - I had not heard about this meeting, and unfortunately tomorrow is my late evening surgery, so it is unlikely that I will manage to attend. If I am finished before the meeting ends I will pop in. I am sorry to hear that plans for a new primary school are in abeyance. What is now the plan for the future of primary schooling? We feel our current surgery premises remain adequate for our current needs and for the foreseeable future. With our current spare capacity we are still able to host a variety of non-practice personnel including physiotherapists, podiatrists, psychologists, speech therapists, health visitors, midwives, counsellors etc. In recent years our list size has dropped some 10% due to our new strict policy of adhering to practice boundaries. We therefore feel we will be well able to manage the healthcare of residents of all the planned new housing. It will take about 500 new residents to bring our capitation back to where it was about five years ago A day care facility in the mid Black Isle has been a great lack for many decades. We had hoped that Marine House would open such a facility but this was not to be, and now the provision by Shoremills is no longer available. There is of course some availability in Urray House, the RNI, County Hospital and the Highland Hospice, but all of these are limited and somewhat distant. Such an adequately staffed day care centre would be a great asset in the community and would enhance the lives of the elderly and/or infirm and also of their unpaid carers on whom our society now depends. Billy Barclay's dementia café is proving to be very successful and we must all be grateful for, and impressed by the initiative shown by him and his team.
			1 This would result in the irreversible loss of prime grade 1 agricultural land, which is particularly short sighted when a global food crisis looms and this is not just the loss of any agricultural land but some of the best agricultural
Mr Douglas Barker per Douglas Milne	Morton Fraser Solicitors	Fortrose North of Caravan Park	land in Scotland. Our client views this action as a severe lack of foresight which results in the long term loss by many to the short term benefit of only a few. 2 Our client considers this area is part of the long standing land buffer between Fortrose and Rosemarkie, in which both communities have placed great importance for the past 30+ years. If permitted, this would be the start of the erosion of the age old land barrier that ensures the distinct identities between Fortrose and Rosemarkie. Any reduction in this buffer will have a serious impact on the amenity of the area and the character of the locality. In addition our client emphatically agrees with the further 'cons' identified by the Council, which are: Access issues; sensitive site for landscape impact, outwith settlement boundary, not within easy walkable distance of village facilities and possible odour nuisance. These comments shall be lodged online on the Local Development Plan website.
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			these sites, due consideration should be taken of SPP with regard to access to the trunk road network. It states at paragraph 175 that new junctions onto the motorway and trunk road network are not normally acceptable, but the case for such junctions will be considered where significant economic growth or regeneration benefits can be demonstrated. Direct access onto any strategic road should be avoided as far as practicable. Access should be from a secondary road unless there is no alternative. Also, in a general context it is recommended that any infrastructure required to support delivery of these proposed development sites is detailed within the LDP's Action

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ole area. The retention of the current policy framework as referred by the Council in hut circles, ring cairns and other remains of archeological interest. The area would have to the B851 has very poor visibility and is extremely dangerous. No development should a part of School Wood. This wood was sold to the community by the Forestry Commission. During the consultation for the purchase of Milton Wood and School Wood ult to achieve. Their has been a lot of 'ad-hoc' development within this area, this has had
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