THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL

WEST HIGHLAND AND ISLANDS LOCAL PLAN^(*)

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED PLAN TO SCOTTISH MINISTERS AND EXAMINATION OF UNRESOLVED ISSUES

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT PLANNING) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2008

On 28 May 2009, the Highland Council submitted to Scottish Ministers the above proposed local plan for examination.

Copies of the proposed local plan are available within the Council's Planning and Building Standards offices at: Gordon Square, Fort William; Kings House, Portree, Isle of Skye; 100 High Street, Kingussie, Council Offices, High Street, Dingwall and; Headquarters, Glenurquhart Road, Inverness.

Copies are also available at every public library serving the local plan area at: Ardnamurchan Community Library, Sunart Centre, Strontian, ACHARACLE; Broadford Library & Service Point, Old Quarry Industrial Estate, BROADFORD; Badenoch Library, Badenoch Centre Spey Street, KINGUSSIE; Caol Library, Glenkingie Street, CAOL; Fort William Library, Airds Crossing, High Street, FORT WILLIAM; Kinlochleven Library & Service Centre, Riverside Road, KINLOCHLEVEN; Knoydart Library & Service Point, The Store, Inverie, KNOYDART; Kyle of Lochalsh Library, Main Street, KYLE OF LOCHALSH; Mallaig and Morar Library & Service Point, Mallaig and Morar Community Centre, West Bay, MALLAIG; Plockton Library, Village Hall, PLOCKTON, and; Portree Library, Viewfield Road, PORTREE.

In addition, copies can also be viewed on the council's website at <u>www.highland.gov.uk</u> (search for "WHILP")

The deposited documents are available for inspection free of charge during normal opening hours.

The Scottish Ministers have appointed Mr David Russell MA(Hons) MPhil MRTPI, and Mr Douglas Hope BSc(Hons) MA DipTP FRGS MRTPI and Mr Iain Lumsden MA(Hons) MSc MRTPI to carry out the examination of the plan and Highland Council has provided them with a summary of the issues it considers should be assessed at the examination. Additional Reporters may be appointed to support the speedy delivery of the report.

This summary of issues can also be viewed at the places listed above.

Further guidance on the examination process is available from the website of the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA) (<u>http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Built-Environment/planning/decisions-appeals/Appeals/PlanInquiries</u>) or by contacting Brian Archibald at DPEA on 01324-696455 (e-mail: dpexaminations@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)

Stuart Black Director of Planning and Development The Highland Council 16th July 2009

^(*) This plan represents a merger of the replacements of the Skye and Lochalsh Local Plan and Lochaber Local Plan and also incorporates replacement of part of the Badenoch and Strathspey Local Plan for the area west of Kinlochlaggan, close to Loch Laggan and the A86.