

I am wishing to inform you that I plan to build a substantial housing development in Duror within the next five years, the housing will be aimed at family's. I have two potential sites in Duror that I plan to develop. In all there would be an additional 40 houses and some light industrial space created if planning was granted(of which I am confident and motivated to appeal to the point where it would be approved, I feel there is a need in line with the aspersions of government so approval would be obtained).

I wish to point out that the closing of the School may create a situation where there is insufficient resources to provide for Schooling needs. This will create a burden on the council to supply a new school at substantial cost. The only other option would be transport to Ballachulish or North Ballachulish again at substantial cost.

I would suggest making Duror School a Gaelic medium school would increase the pupil numbers and save it from closure if the council are so minded to save such an important part of the community. I myself will be moving to Duror however my 3 children that will be moving with me are learning in Gaelic. I know of others in similar situations.

If you wish to discuss further please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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