

THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL

THE SUTHERLAND 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 24 July 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 office at Drummie, Golspie.

Copies are also available at every public library serving the Local Plan area at: Brora Cultural Centre & Library, Gower Street, BRORA, Lairg Library, Main Street, LAIRG, Golspie Library, Community Centre, Golspie High School, GOLSPIE, Dornoch Library, Carnegie Buildings, DORNOCH, Bettyhill Library & Service Point, Naver Teleservice Centre, BETTYHILL, Bonar Bridge Library & Service Point, Carnegie Library, West End, BONAR BRIDGE, Helmsdale Library & Service Point, Community Centre, Dunrobin Street, HELMSDALE.

In addition, copies can also be viewed on the council's website at www.highland.gov.uk

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

The Scottish Ministers have appointed Mrs Allison Coard MA MPhil RTPI 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) (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Built-Environment/planning/decisions-appeals/Appeals/PlanInquiries>) or by contacting Brian Archibald at DPEA on 01324-696455 (e-mail: dpexaminations@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)

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* The area covered by the new Local Plan comprises The Highland Council Wards 1 and 5 and is shown in the documents that are available for inspection. The new Local Plan area substantially coincides with the combined areas of the North West Sutherland, Tongue & Farr, Golspie & Lairg and South & East Sutherland Local Plans, and also with some small parts of the areas covered by the Caithness, Ross & Cromarty East and Wester Ross Local Plans. The new Local Plan, once adopted, will therefore replace these seven older Local Plans but only in so far as they relate to any part of the area of the new Sutherland Local Plan.