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Representations

Objections

Emma Greenlees

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 July 2023 14:54
Cc: Emma Greenlees
Subject: Proposed Distillery SE of Spey Dam

I object to the proposed distillery on the following grounds - Site The site directly under the ancient Dun-da-Lamh hill fort is completely inappropriate for industrial development particularly in a National Park. It is a beautiful rural agricultural area that is very popular with walkers, cyclists and tourists. It is a junction of the long distance walking and cycle routes through the Corrieyairack pass and East Highland Way. All future visitors and locals would have their experience degraded by the visual impact and road traffic caused by this project.

Roads All of roads around Lagoon are already inappropriate for the volume and size of vehicles that use them. This distillery would only exacerbate this both with more large vehicles and workers commuting to work, further endangering the local population and visitors and causing considerable extra atmospheric pollution at a time of great climate change.

There are existing economic development sites much closer to the A9 and population centres that would avoid these negative effects on Laggan.

Water The Spey is already often at a low level and does not need further water removed from its catchment.

In summary - this project would have large negative effects on the local area and community and is unlikely to provide any real benefits.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [ePlanning](#)
Subject: Planning for proposed distillery. 23/02656/FUL
Date: 06 July 2023 20:41:00

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I wish to object to the planning application 23/02656/ful erection of distillery, 3No warehouses, access, parking, offices and boreholes on the following grounds.

Predominantly the impact it will have on the cottages at Strathmashie which are located adjacent to the access road to the proposed development to which we are long standing residents.

Concerns are as follows

The increase in traffic that this will bring to our rural area. Construction traffic first and foremost, which could take a couple of years until fully operational as stated in local press, ie Strathspey & Badenoch Herald July 12 2023. Thereafter staff vehicles, HGV vehicles - including grain delivery's, draft disposal, cask delivery's, cask export as well as refuse and other general delivery's.

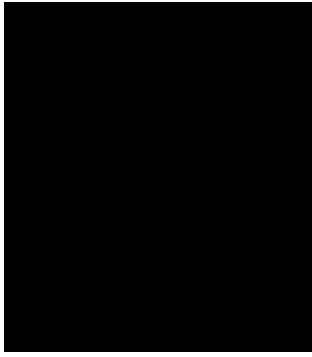
This site access road where it joins the A86 is a designated pick up point for residents children for the school bus. There are currently 4 children who wait here. There however is no mention of this in planning. This brings obvious safety concerns with parents if HGVs and all other site traffic turning in. More so in winter months as this is an unlit area with no pavement and poor visibility.

The current access track is popular with local residents, children, dog walkers and cyclists from neighbouring Wolftrax centre - again safety concerns regarding site traffic

Due to the nature of the road surface, dust pollution can be a big problem during dry periods of weather, this can be exasperated by speed of vehicles. As well loose stones flying up due to the loose gravel construction of road. This is predominantly to residents closest to the track and pedestrians.

Can we have clarification on whether or not there is to be a visitor centre? Again states in local press that this proposal will attract visitors to the area. Contrary to this at local meetings we were informed there will be no visitors centre therefore no visitors to the distillery, dispelling concerns of increased traffic.

Finally local job opportunities. At local meetings with distillery management locals were informed they would be moving all existing members of staff to new premises. Surely this will limit proposed job opportunities for local people?



From: [REDACTED]
To: [ePlanning](#)
Subject: 23/02656/FUL Planning application
Date: 13 July 2023 08:45:40

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Dear Planning Team,

I would like to object to the above planning application for the following reasons:

1. Increased traffic on the proposed access road - this track is a dirt track as is popular with the children of Strathmashie for riding their bikes and with local residents who walk their dogs here. Having had lorries for the Beaully-Denny line using this route, the residents here are very aware of how fast and how dangerous these can be, especially during the winter months as the track is not designed to be gritted.

This is also a school bus stop, an increase of traffic will only be detrimental to any safety issues involved.

There are many pets (especially cats) on this street and this increase in traffic raises issues over their safety.


2. Historical. The site is going to not only be built on a section of General Wade's road but according to the plans looks like it will also include St Kenneth's church.

3. Transparency. At local consultative meetings job opportunities and tourist numbers were discussed. We were informed that there would be no job opportunities as they would bring their own staff, therefore not benefitting the local community. It was also mentioned that there would be no scope for tourists, however the plan suggests a marketing suite. At the meeting they also talked about building a house for workers - this is not mentioned on the planning application.

Thank you for your time.

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