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Issue:	General - Vision	
Objector(s):	Scottish Council for National Parks	Objection ref(s): 434b

Reporter	Mrs Jill Moody and Mr Hugh Begg
Procedure	Hearing

1.0 Overview

1.1 This statement sets out the Cairngorms National Park Authority response to the objections raised to the Deposit Local Plan as modified in respect of general content on the Vision of the plan and supplements the response made to those objections by the Cairngorms National Park Authority in its report to Committee (CD7.3-7.5). No changes are proposed.

2.0 Provision of the Local Plan:

2.1 The Local Plan's Vision is set out in para. 2.14 p9 of the Deposit Local Plan as modified. It takes this Vision from the adopted National Park Plan.

3.0 Summary of objection(s)

3.1 1 objections raising 1 issue has been lodged on the general issue of the Vision in the Local Plan and wishes to be considered at a hearing:

- In the DLP (para. 2.12 p9) the Vision linking to the Park Plan Vision will be difficult to sustain when measured against the historical record. Outcomes for Conserving and Enhancing Biodiversity and Landscapes for 2012 is not borne out in the housing allocations. Objection maintained in response to the 1st mDLP. **(434b)**

4.0 Summary of Cairngorms National Park Authority Response

4.1 The CNPA responded to the consultation on the Deposit Local Plan by taking the full Vision from the National Park Plan rather than the portion of it that was the Local Plan's Vision as set out in para. 2.12 p9 of the Deposit Local Plan. It takes this Vision from the adopted National Park Plan. The Local Plan's Vision is set out in para. 2.14 p9 of the Deposit Local Plan as modified. The outcomes and priorities are a quote from the National Park Plan and cannot be changed. The mDLP is a considered and balanced approach to delivering for the needs of the area's communities whilst conserving and enhancing the natural and cultural heritage of the area. Topic Paper 1 "Statutory National Park Context" (CD7.21) clearly sets out the context with regard to the statutory purpose of the CNPA and its local plan function. No further modifications are proposed.

5.0 CNPA Commendation to Reporter

5.1 It is commended to the Reporter that the objection to the general content on the Vision of the plan as listed above are rejected.

6.0 Strategic issues

6.1 Topic Paper I “Statutory National Park Context” (CD7.21) sets out the strategic National Park Context.

7.0 Assessment / Scope of Evidence

7.1 **(434b)**Objection: object, in the DLP (para. 2.12 p9) the Vision linking to the Park Plan Vision will be difficult to sustain when measured against the historical record. Outcomes for Conserving and Enhancing Biodiversity and Landscapes for 2012 is not borne out in the housing allocations. Objection maintained in response to the 1st mDLP.

7.2 **Response:** The CNPA responded to the consultation on the Deposit Local Plan by taking the full Vision from the National Park Plan rather than the portion of it that was the Local Plan’s Vision as set out in para. 2.12 p9 of the Deposit Local Plan. It takes this Vision from the adopted National Park Plan. The Local Plan’s Vision is set out in para. 2.14 p9 of the Deposit Local Plan as modified. The outcomes and priorities are a quote from the National Park Plan and cannot be changed. The mDLP is a considered and balanced approach to delivering for the needs of the area’s communities whilst conserving and enhancing the natural and cultural heritage of the area. Topic Paper I “Statutory National Park Context” (CD7.21) clearly sets out the context with regard to the statutory purpose of the CNPA and its local plan function. No further modifications are proposed.

8.0 Conclusions

8.1 It is commended to the Reporter that the objections to the general content on the Vision of the plan as listed above are rejected.

9.0 List of documents (including Core Documents)

- CD1.3 The National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000
- CD1.18 Cairngorms National Park Designation Order 2003
- CD7.21 Topic Paper I “Statutory National Park Context”
- CD6.13 Cairngorms National Park Deposit Local Plan as at 2nd modifications
- CD7.1 Cairngorms National Park Plan 2007
- CD7.3-7.5 CNPA Committee Reports

10.0 Cairngorms National Park Authority Witnesses for Hearing

- Don McKee – Head of Planning