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Issue:	Settlements General - Proposals		
Objector(s):	Mrs Jane Angus	Objection ref(s):	437u
	Alvie and Dalraddy Estate		439zc

Reporter	Mrs. Jill Moody and Mr. Hugh Begg
Procedure	Written

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 Settlements General – Proposals and supplements the response made to those objections by the CNPA in its report to Committee (CD7.3-7.5). No changes are proposed.

2.0 Provision of the Local Plan:

- 2.1 Section 7 of the Deposit Local Plan as modified sets out the approach to the hierarchy of settlements. Topic Paper 3: Approach to Housing Land Supply and Affordable Housing (CD7.23) expands on this with respect to allocation of housing land. The policies and allocations in the DLP as modified offer opportunities for a range of development within and outside settlements in the context of that hierarchy and taking account of compatibility with the National Park.

3.0 Summary of issues raised:

- 3.1 Two objections raising two issues have been lodged on Settlements General – Proposals and wish to have their objection considered in written form:
- With respect to DLP. Housing 7.5-7.8 the 5 year supply plus windfall is unconstrained and varied, it would be better to have long term concepts rather than isolated patches. Design guide and other information is available soon. Economic development (7.9), Community (7.10), open space (7.11) all sound good but how will it work and who will run things. Maps and legend not all up to date. Core paths still under discussion. **(437u)**
 - Welcome less prescriptive approach to settlement, concerned that proposals for Kincaig have dropped economic development area at Baldow. Suggest that a note be included saying further business development will be allowed within settlement boundaries. Small economic areas have not been marked on settlement maps. In response to 1st mDLP welcome inclusion of areas suitable for businesses that can be carried out close to residences, however area identified as ED2 is unsuitable because of access, lack of visibility and noise problems with nearby houses, consider extending ED1 in vicinity of Baldow Smithy. Objector also comments on HI housing, thihs has been dealt with under that evidence. **(439zc)**

4.0 Summary of Cairngorms National Park Authority Response

- The National Park Plan sets out the long term strategic context and the DLP aims to deliver those aspects relevant to the planning process in the near future. The modifications to the Plan have sought to expand on and clarify this context. The CNPA uses the most up to date OS maps available, and adds information by way of designations etc. at a level compatible with the scale of the maps. The Core Path Plan is a separate process and once completed there will be cross refrence in the adopted version of the Local Plan. **(437u)**

- ED2 was put in the Plan to provide additional choice in Kincaig. It was removed in 2nd mDLP in response to objections. It is considered that EDI provides opportunity for economic development and more generally that Policy 27 Business Development offers considerable potential within and outside the settlement. **(439zc)**

5.0 CNPA Commendation to Reporter

- 5.1 It is commended to the Reporter that the objections to Settlements General - Proposals as listed above are rejected.

6.0 Assessment / Scope of Evidence

- 6.1 **(437u)** Objection: objects, with respect to DLP. Housing 7.5-7.8 the 5 year supply plus windfall is unconstrained and varied, it would be better to have long term concepts rather than isolated patches. Design guide and other information is available soon. Economic development (7.9), Community (7.10), open space (7.11) all sound good but how will it work and who will run things. Maps and legend not all up to date. Core paths still under discussion.

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7.0 List of documents (including Core Documents)

- CD6.13 Deposit Local Plan at 2nd Modifications
- CD6.11 Deposit Local Plan
- CD7.3-7.5 CNPA Committee Reports
- CD 7.21 Topic Paper 1: Statutory National Park Context
- CD7.23 Topic Paper 3: Approach to Housing Land Supply and Affordable Housing
- CD7.12 Draft Cairngorms National Park Core Paths Plan 2008