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Issue:	Policy 03 National Natural Heritage Designations
Objection ref:	Objector
439e	Jamie Williamson, Alvie & Dalraddy Estate

Reporter	Mr Hugh Begg
Procedure	Written representation

1 Overview

- 1.1 This statement sets out the Cairngorms National Park Authority response to the objections raised to the Deposit Local Plan (CD6.11) as modified in respect of Policy 03 : National Natural Heritage Designations, and supplements the response made to those objections by the Cairngorms National Park Authority in its reports to Committee (CD7.3, 7.4 and 7.5).

2 Provision of the Local Plan

- 2.1 Policy 03 is intended to recognise the importance of national natural heritage designations. This policy was modified as part of the 1st Modifications May 2008 (CD6.12) and the 2nd Modifications October 2008 (CD6.13).

3 Summary of objection(s)

- 3.1 There is one objection to Policy 03 who wishes to be considered by written representation:
- **439e** objects to the policy because he considers that development of local importance should outweigh adverse effect on the designation.

4 Summary of Cairngorms National Park Authority Response

- 4.1 The CNPA considers the wording Policy 03 to reflect national planning policy guidance in NPPG14 (CD3.2, para 25)), the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 (CD1.3) and to provide sufficient clarity. No changes to the policy are considered necessary.

5 CNPA Commendation to Reporter

- 5.1 It is commended that the Reporter rejects all objections.

6 Assessment / Scope of Evidence

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- 6.2 **CNPA Response:** The CNPA considers the wording Policy 03 to reflect national planning policy guidance in NPPG14 (CD3.2, para 25)), the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 (CD1.3) and to provide sufficient clarity. No changes to the policy are considered necessary.

7 Strategic Issues

7.1 Policy 03 supports the National Park Plan's strategic objectives for landscape, built & historic environment, biodiversity, and geodiversity (CD7.1, pages 38-39, 42-44, 46-47).

8 Other material considerations

8.1 None.

9 List of documents (including Core Documents)

- CD1.3 The National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000
- CD3.2 NPPG14 Natural Heritage
- CD6.11 Deposit Local Plan
- CD6.12 Deposit Local Plan 1st Modifications
- CD6.13 Deposit Local Plan 2nd Modifications
- CD7.1 Cairngorms National Park Plan 2007
- CD7.4 CNPA Committee Report 1st Modifications October 2008
- CD7.5 CNPA Committee Report 2nd Modifications February 2009