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Dear Mr Jordan

CAIRNGORMS LOCAL PLAN: PRE-INQUIRY PROCEDURE MEETING
16 MARCH 2009

I refer to your request for information on a range of issues.

We have gathered what information we can to assist you either by hard copy or reference to the appropriate location on the Council's website.

- (a) I enclose extract minute from the 25 September 2007, Marr Area Committee and the 4 October 2007, Infrastructure Services Committee. The relevant agenda item from ISC is also attached.

In essence the Council took the view that the critical plan for the Cairngorms National Park Authority's new local plan to conform with was not NEST but their own new Cairngorms National Park Plan which had just been approved by Scottish Ministers on 15 March 2007. In the light of this Aberdeenshire Council raised no objection to the number of houses proposed for Ballater other than to comment on the affordable housing element.

- (b) The information you seek is contained within the Aberdeenshire Council website www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/ Council and Democracy/ Statistics/ Land Development. You will be able to view the online Housing Land Audit 2008 which provides information on the anticipated housing building (on sites of 5 units and over) for all settlements in Marr and the whole of Aberdeenshire as at 1 January 2008.
- (c) The Local Housing Strategy is attached. A new one will not be prepared until 2011. In the interim an Affordable Housing Strategic

Outcome Statement and Action Plan will be prepared by around September 2009.

The Local Housing Strategy is also on the Council's website accessible through

www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/councilhousing/reports/strategy.asp

- (d) You can access the current Housing Needs Assessment carried out in 2004 following the link above but instead of looking in strategy.asp look in index.asp. A new assessment is being carried out but does not include the National Park part of Aberdeenshire as the Cairngorms National Park Authority has the responsibility to carry out any needs assessment required for the Park.

Attached are Committee reports updating the Committee on the Local Housing Strategy outcomes. Within these reports we identified how many affordable homes are delivered and how many are as a consequence of planning gain. Affordable housing is allocated to applicants on the housing waiting list and it is illegal for Councils and registered social landlords to discriminate. In reality approximately 80% of those on the housing list requesting Ballater are local.

- (e) I enclose actual school roll figures for Ballater from 1984 which is the earliest date we can extract statistics. I also enclose school roll forecast information and the guidance that goes with it. The current permanent capacity of the school is 145 pupils.
- (f) There are 4 second homes, and a further 246 holiday homes according to our Council Tax section as at 4 February 2008. We are awaiting the end of year figures for 2008/09 but I don't expect much to have changed.
- (g) I enclose a spreadsheet list of houses built in Ballater since 1984 and their locations. We do not have statistics further back than this.

I hope the information above and enclosed assists you.

Yours sincerely

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ACTUAL ROLLS FOR BALLATER SCHOOL 1980 - 2008

	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
P I					17	16	16	15	10	14	12	19	21	20	15	19	18
P II					17	14	17	15	16	11	15	11	20	21	22	14	19
P III					11	21	17	15	12	16	12	14	12	19	23	21	10
P IV					13	13	21	15	13	18	17	10	14	13	19	22	20
P V					14	13	16	17	15	13	18	16	13	14	18	20	22
P VI					13	16	15	16	19	16	17	19	17	15	16	19	17
P VII					16	15	18	14	15	20	13	12	15	16	18	19	16
Total Roll	110	110	93	95	101	108	120	107	100	108	104	101	112	118	131	134	122

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
P I	17	13	21	21	20	14	16	19	12	10	15	19
P II	18	19	12	20	20	19	13	18	19	14	13	16
P III	18	16	18	9	18	17	19	12	18	16	13	12
P IV	11	18	18	20	11	20	16	18	12	18	19	11
P V	18	12	20	20	19	10	20	18	18	12	21	17
P VI	23	21	10	22	19	20	10	18	17	17	16	20
P VII	14	24	24	10	21	20	15	10	19	18	19	13
Total Roll	119	123	123	122	128	120	109	113	115	105	116	108

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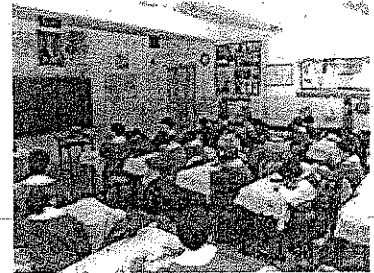
School Roll Forecasts

Below are the 2008 based school roll forecasts for Aberdeenshire's primary and secondary schools until 2016.

Overall, the accuracy of the forecasts is likely to be greater in the short term.

A difficult part of primary school roll forecasting is predicting intake to the first primary stage (PI). While particularly in settlements with more than one primary school where the schools are relatively close together, out of zone admissions may become an issue.

For small rural primary schools with fluctuating rolls, forecasting is often problematic, for example anticipated completions of dwellings on small sites (less than 5 units) are unavailable. In the short term, most of the potential secondary pupils are already within the local feeder primary school system. In Aberdeenshire, the secondary schools are relatively isolated spatially from each other: no settlement has more than one secondary school. This limits the impact of out of zone admissions, which can make roll prediction more difficult. However, staying on rates into the final two years may fluctuate from year to year.



While forecasts are provided to 2016, it must be recognised that beyond 2013 (5 years) forecasts for individual schools are subject to greater uncertainty, and will be influenced by land use policy decisions on the location of development which have yet to be made. To this end, only the trend shown for the period 2009-2013 will be used as the basis for discussions with interested parties regarding the future under or over capacity of any school.

The Scottish Government has announced its intention to introduce a maximum class size of 18 for early stage classes. It is not clear when this requirement will take effect.

There are three planning applications for significant 'windfall' housing associated with golf course developments that have not been taken into account in the school roll forecasts. The Menie Estate application for 500 houses finally obtained outline planning consent on 16 December 2008, and will now be included in the 2009 housing land audit. The Blairs and Ury Estate applications, for 280 and 230 houses respectively, have not obtained planning consent prior to the audit base date of 1 January 2009 and so will not qualify for inclusion.

In order to download Aberdeenshire's School Roll Forecasts please click on the links below:

- [Primary and Secondary Summary \(pdf 36.9kb\)](#)
- [Primaries: Aberchirder - Daviot \(pdf 132kb\)](#)
- [Primaries: Drumblade - Kennethmont \(pdf 130kb\)](#)
- [Primaries: Kincardine O'Neil - Newtonhill \(pdf 134kb\)](#)
- [Primaries: Old Rayne - Whitehills \(pdf 138kb\)](#)
- [Secondaries \(pdf 95.4kb\)](#)
- [Background & Methodology \(139kb\)](#)

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PB05 AUCHTERLESS

	ACTUAL										FORECAST					
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
PI Input	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
Pupils/Hhid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing	0	-1	-2	-2	-1	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parents Charter	0															
PI	2	7	9	4	8	3	6	0	7	6	6	6	6	5	5	5
PII	10	7	10	9	3	8	4	6	0	7	6	6	6	6	5	5
PIII	7	12	4	11	8	6	11	5	6	0	6	6	6	6	5	5
PIV	7	7	13	6	11	9	3	12	5	6	0	6	5	6	6	5
PV	5	8	8	13	5	12	10	3	12	5	6	0	6	5	6	6
PVI	7	5	8	9	14	5	12	10	3	11	5	5	0	6	5	5
PVII	4	9	8	10	10	14	3	12	10	3	11	5	5	0	6	5
Total Roll	42	55	60	62	59	57	49	48	42	37	39	33	34	34	39	38
Total Capacity	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71	71
Tot Roll - Tot Cap	-29	-16	-11	-9	-12	-14	-22	-23	-29	-34	-32	-38	-37	-37	-32	-33
(Tot Roll/Tot Cap)%	59%	77%	85%	87%	83%	80%	69%	68%	59%	52%	55%	47%	47%	47%	55%	54%

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Pupils/Hhid	31	24	10	5	0	0	12	23	0	30	30	30	0	0	0	0
Housing	0	-1	0	-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parents Charter	0															
PI	20	14	16	19	12	10	15	19	11	12	14	15	15	15	15	15
PII	20	19	13	18	19	14	13	16	19	12	13	15	16	15	15	15
PIII	18	17	19	12	18	16	13	12	16	19	13	14	15	15	15	15
PIV	11	20	16	18	12	18	19	11	12	16	20	14	15	15	15	15
PV	19	10	20	18	18	12	21	17	11	12	17	21	14	15	15	15
PVI	19	20	10	18	17	17	16	20	17	11	13	18	21	14	14	15
PVII	21	20	15	10	19	18	19	13	20	17	12	14	18	20	14	14
Total Roll	128	120	109	113	115	105	116	108	107	100	102	110	113	110	104	104
Total Capacity	120	120	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145
Tot Roll - Tot Cap	8	0	-36	-32	-30	-40	-29	-37	-38	-45	-43	-35	-32	-35	-41	-41
(Tot Roll/Tot Cap)%	107%	100%	75%	78%	79%	72%	80%	74%	74%	69%	71%	76%	78%	76%	71%	72%