AGENDA ITEM 6

APPENDIX 3

2019/0134/DET

OBJECTIONS

Cairngoms Campaign

From: Cairngoms Campaign

Sent:1 Jun 2019 11:00:55 +0100

To:Planning

Subject: Planning Application 2019 0134 DET Erection of Hut etc Carrbridge

We are writing to object to this application and support the reasons laid out in the objection by the Community Council.

It is contrary to the National Parks number 1 aim to encourage gradual erosion of our natural environment. The threat to capercaillie and wildlife by more intrusion is not in line with the CNPA aims.

Please consider carefully the precedent you are setting if you support this application.

Regards

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3 June 2019

Dear Stephanie Wade

2019/0134/DET | Erection of hut and siting of composting toilet | Gabhean Baddengorm Wood Carrbridge

BSCG wishes to object to this application and we request the opportunity to address the planning committee when this application is determined.

The proposal site is within Baddengorm Wood which is an important woodland for the Annex 1 species capercaillie. Badenoch & Strathspey now supports some 83% of the entire Scottish and UK population of capercaillie. The Badenoch & Strathspey metapopulation depends on both the 5 Special Protection Areas that are designated for capercaillie, as well as undesignated sites such as Baddengorm Wood. Impacts on capercaillie in Baddengorm Wood would be likely to have impacts on the conservation objectives of the Badenoch & Strathspey SPAs.

The proposal would add to human disturbance within the wood, both during daylight hours and at night and early morning. This would be likely to impact negatively on capercaillie. No mitigation for the disturbance impacts on capercaillie would be practicable.

The proposal is within woodland on the Ancient Woodland Inventory classified as of semi natural origin which is the highest quality category of ancient woodland site. Ancient woodland is an irreplaceable resource that cannot be recreated; its loss cannot be mitigated for.

The proposed buildings and car parking raise questions of curtilage and potential impacts on public access rights in the vicinity of the proposal.

BSCG is very concerned at the planning precedent that the CNPA would establish if this hut were consented.

Yours sincerely

Gus Jones Convener