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To: Planning
Subject: My comments on the Cairngorm National Park Local Development Plan 2020 on 'Settlement Based Issues' for INSH.

To answer the three questions as requested, in regard to Insh, page 107 of Cairngorms National Park Local Development Plan 2020 Main Issues Report:

1 - Do you agree with the proposed settlement objectives? –

a) Facilitate economic growth that supports the local community – of course, but this is a no brainer that would apply to anywhere! It means nothing in terms of a specific plan for Insh.

b) Support small-scale, organic growth – this phrase is unintelligible to me. What does it mean, or is it just like “Facilitate economic growth that supports the local community” – just words to fill a space?

2 - Do you agree with the protected open space? – I cannot judge, as I cannot see what is not protected and therefore liable to unsuitable development.

3 - Do you agree with the proposed settlement boundary? – Seems ok, but if THC001 is going to go ahead it should also be included in the boundary

Other comments:

- I doubt that the economy of Insh is focused on tourism & outdoor leisure. I think the economy is very broad based, not just focused on tourism & outdoor leisure. Have CNP got any data to support their assertion?

- How should Insh develop in the future? I don't know, but I am deeply suspicious of any official agencies getting involved in pushing the direction of development, it should be directed by the residents. The attraction of Insh is that it is how Insh is; alter that radically and it is lost.

Kind regards,
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