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Cairngorms National Park Authority

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Attention: Mr. Gavin Miles

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Dear Sirs

Cairngorms National Park – Local Development Plan 2020 – Post Main Issues Report

New Sites Consultation

The abovementioned Report has reference. The report was brought to my attention at the AGM of Lochan Mor held on the 5th September 2018. The AGM was held in the existing and relatively new Community Centre in Aviemore and was chaired by Ross and Liddell who simply wanted to bring the report to everyone's' attention.

It is stated that you are in the process of preparing a new Local Development Plan for adoption in 2020 and that in the process to date you received a number of new site proposals. My interest and those of the attendees at the AGM of Lochan Mor is site number 2 "Proposed Community Use Allocation: Spaven Drive". I am unsure as to what factors were forwarded to merit this proposed addition to the Local Development Plan 2020 but would like to express the following:

- 1 There would appear to be a perfectly good and substantial Community Centre which seems to currently satisfy the needs of the Community. Unless there are compelling reasons why another Community Centre is required it would seem that this proposed change in land use is superfluous.
- 2 From my understanding the piece of land in question is the only "green" open space left in Aviemore and one which appears to be used for outdoor activities by the residents.
- 3 As a homeowner in Lochan Mor I understand that all of the homeowners had to contribute £500 for the inclusion of this piece of land as an open park and I therefore query what rights, if any, that we have as homeowners in this decision to potentially change the land use.

- 4 Would you kindly advise what efforts have been made to ensure adequate public consultation with the affected residents on this proposed change of land use?
- 4 Should this site be added to the Local Development Plan 2020, despite the apparent reservations by residents, does the site have to go through a formal rezoning process?

Whilst I appreciate the work that has gone into the preparation of the Land Development Plan 2020, with respect to Site No 2, I am concerned that the process appears to be moving ahead without due thought and consideration.

Yours faithfully

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