

REPRESENTATION FORM

Introduction

The Proposed Local Development Plan (the Plan) sets out a strategy for future development in the Cairngorms National Park. It includes sites and proposals for development as well as the policies that will be used to make decisions on applications for planning permission. We aim to formally adopt the Plan in 2020 when the Local Development Plan 2015 comes to an end. The Plan focuses on the five year period until 2025. It also includes development proposals for the 10 year period until 2030, as well as providing a general indication of the likely scale and location of development as far as 20 years into the future.

How to comment

You can use this form to submit your comments on the Plan. Please complete a separate form for each part of the Plan you want to comment on.

All comments should be submitted no later than 5pm, Friday 5 April 2019.

Email: planning@cairngorms.co.uk

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You must submit your name and address to ensure your comments can be considered valid. This is because the Cairngorms National Park Authority (CNPA) is required by legislation to contact you in relation to your response.

Fair Collection Statement

As a registered Data Controller, the CNPA will collect, store and use your personal data for the purpose of informing the content of the Cairngorms National Park Local Development Plan 2020. You may request to see personal information held by the CNPA at any time. Information will be shared with the Scottish Government Department of Planning and Environment Appeals and may be published on our website. We will not publish address details but may publish the name of the person who has completed the form. By completing and submitting the form, you are consenting to the above.

Your details

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If you are representing a third party, please give their details below.

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1. Which section of the Plan would you like to comment on? (Please state clearly which policy, settlement, site reference number, paragraph number etc, your comment relates to)
NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ---BRAEMAR--SITE REF H4

2. What is your comment on this section of the Plan?

My view is that this site should be considered as being part of a "protected open space" and therefore, under policy 1.1, should not be eligible for new housing development. A further view is that any proposal for housing on this site would not "reinforce and enhance the character of the settlement"-- a further condition of policy 1.1. My reasons for this are ;

A basic attraction of Braemar is that visitors get an immediate appreciation and feel for the grandeur of the Cairngorm National Park without having to get into a car or walk far. Chapel Brae is a key visitor walking route to Morone, to Morone Birkwood (a protected SNH site) and to our Duck pond (favourite for children). This open space (H4) provides early majestic views for the visitor and is frequented by iconic wild life (red squirrel, deer and black grouse). The area forms a wild life habitat linking the area of mountain (Morone) with river (Dee). In addition a substantial, ancient and very impressive larch tree sits right in the middle of the proposed site. Permission to remove such a tree would surely not be granted by Natural Heritage bodies.

The area therefore provides locally important habitats AND landscape features which need to be preserved for future visitors.

3. Please state clearly what change/s you wish to see made to the Plan to address your comment

I believe the arguments to support the view "that the area in which H4 is placed deserves the status of protected open space" should be incorporated in the plan.

Site H4 should not be considered an appropriate area for housing development (either under protected space reasoning or reinforce and enhance character of settlement reasoning or both!)

What happens next?

Following the consultation period, all responses will be collated and assessed. The Proposed Local Development Plan and all consultation responses will then be submitted to Scottish Ministers and subject to an Examination by an independent Planning Reporter. You can keep up to date with progress on www.cairngorms.co.uk and Facebook and Twitter via [@cairngormsnews](https://twitter.com/cairngormsnews)

Queries

If you have any queries about the consultation process, please contact a member of the Planning Policy team.

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