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To: McCallum, Fiona

Subject: RE: Notice of Review Case Ref No: 14/0005/LRB (Planning Ref: 13/02178/PP) Land South of Dugarro, Taynuilt

Dear Ms McCallum,

The inference in the submissions from third parties is that the application site has an enhanced importance to the local community as public open space. However, it is not defined as open space in the Local Plan nor is it publicly owned. Furthermore, it is far from being the only area of open space in the Glen, which has open spaces along the burn, and which is surrounded by accessible countryside.

Only a few trees on the application site, including one oak, will be lost, with most retained. Furthermore, most of the application site will actually remain open.

The Glen has no shortage of trees, and the loss of those few on the application site will not change its overall character to any noticeable extent. Equally, there will still be many areas accessible to the community nearby containing mature trees for them to enjoy.

It is not disputed that people may walk along the track, but interesting to note that the Council have deemed it appropriate (and presumably safe) to define the actual road as a Core Path rather than the track (see image below).



Yours sincerely

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