

**UPDATE ON RECENT SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT PLANNING APPEAL DECISIONS**

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**A) INTRODUCTION**

This report advises of a recent appeal decision by the Scottish Government Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals relative to the case set out below.

**B) RECOMMENDATION**

Members are asked to note the contents of the report.

**C) DETAILS OF APPEAL DECISIONS**

**PLANNING APPEAL DECISION – ENA-130-2015  
WITHOUT PLANNING PERMISSION, THE SITING AND ERECTION OF A TIMBER  
OUTBUILDING USED AS AN OFFICE AND INSTALLATION OF MAINS SERVICES  
DUNANS CASTLE, GLENDARUEL, COLINTRAIVE, ARGYLL PA22 3AD  
DATE OF DECISION – 5 August 2014**

An enforcement notice was served on 22 May 2014 requiring removal within 9 months of a timber outbuilding used as an office and associated services which had been erected without planning permission within the grounds of Dunans Castle, a Category B listed building. An appeal against the notice was dealt with by written representations and an accompanied site visit by a Reporter. The appeal was allowed and the Reporter varied the time period for compliance terms from 9 months to three years.

The Reporter noted that Dunans Castle, with the exception of the attached Georgian house, is now a burnt-out shell, following a fire in 2001. He concluded that a thorough and professional scheme of restoration is planned and considered that a much longer period for compliance was justified. He considered that any disadvantage to the public is minimal, as the timber building is simple and comparatively unobtrusive and hardly likely to be noticed as affecting the setting of the castle for as long as restoration works are in progress.

**D) IMPLICATIONS**

Policy: None.  
Financial: None  
Personnel: None  
Equal Opportunities: None

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