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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the ARGYLL AND BUTE LOCAL REVIEW BODY will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD on WEDNESDAY, 22 MAY 2019 at 9:30 AM, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director of Customer Services

BUSINESS

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)
- 3. CONSIDER NOTICE OF REVIEW REQUEST: LAND AT PORT A'GHUAIL, EAST OF WEST BARFAD, TARBERT
 - (a) Further information from the Planning Authority (Pages 3 18)
 - (b) Further information from the Applicant (Pages 19 26)

ARGYLL AND BUTE LOCAL REVIEW BODY

Councillor Gordon Blair Councillor Mary-Jean Devon Councillor Rory Colville

Contact: Hazel MacInnes Tel: 01546 604269



MacInnes, Hazel

From: Shewan, Norman 07 February 2019 16:45

To: MacInnes, Hazel

Subject: RE: ARGYLL AND BUTE LOCAL REVIEW BODY - LAND AT PORT A GHUAIL, BARFAD,

TARBERT [OFFICIAL]

Attachments: Residential Curtilages as approved pursuant to condition no. 8..pdf; 1703118 ACE Field

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Since the track proposed to be used for construction traffic relative to the proposed development is outside of the planning application site edged red it is considered important to clarify ownership or control of the land edged blue. It should also be noted that part of the track proposed to be used for construction traffic related to the proposed development lies outside of the land edged blue on the application drawings.

Best Regards,

Norman

Norman Shewan

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FIELD SHEET 1A Landscape Components and Key Environmental Features

Location	Barfad – East of A83(T), Tarbert
ACE title/ref.	17/03118/PP
Date	4th February 2019
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Visible, physical components of landform, its features and characteristics				
High Plateau	Peak	Knoll ridge	Spur/crags	Outcrops
Corrie/gully	Low plateau	Distinct hills	Rolling hills/slopes	Glen valley
Gorge	Bench/terrace	Flats	Wide basin	Confined basin
Den	Hollows	Plain	Mounds/moraines	Cliff
Coastal brae	<mark>Bay</mark>	Headland	Beach	Intertidal

Notes:

Land cover and land use -water					
Sea	Sea loch	Intertidal	Mud/sand	Delta	
Estuary	Loch	Lochans	Pools	River	
Whitewater	Burn	Drain/ditch	Canal	Waterfall	
Reservoir					

Notes:

Land cover and land use – forestry, woodland and trees				
Coniferous plantation	Mixed plantation	Broadleaved plantation	Semi-natural woodland	
Tree clumps/copses	Shelterbelts/tree lines	Roadside tree belts	Policy/parkland trees	
Hedgerow trees	Notable single trees			

Notes: SNAW along lochside north of the application site extending towards Barfad Island.

Land cover and land use – agriculture				
Arable	Horticulture	Intensive livestock	Ley grassland	
Permanent pasture	Unimproved grassland	Rough hill grazing	Moorland	
Animals:	Cattle	Sheep	Pigs	
	Poultry	Horses	Deer	

Notes: Small area of poorly drained unimproved grassland elevated behind small cove at southern end of ACE Compartment. Otherwise no agricultural ground cover/activity within compartment.

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Land cover and	l land use – fields	and boundaries	\$		
Stone dykes	Dykes with fencing	Remnant dykes	Continuous hedgerows		
Hedgerows with gaps	Remnant hedgerows	Lost hedgerows	Post and wire fencing		
Post and rail fencing	High stone walls	Stone pillars	Wooden/metal gates		
Beech hedges	Hawthorn hedges				
Field size:	Very large	Large	Medium	Small	
Maps/Aerial photos showing proposed ACE boundary	See attached				

Notes: General absence of boundary treatment within ACE compartment – with exception stone dykes adjacent to the Allt an Luaidh burn which flows out at the cove north of the application site. Occasional remnants of sections of post and wire fencing in locality of application site.

Caravan site

Sand and gravel

Marine/boats

Hard rock

industrial

Utilities

FIELD SHEET 1B Landscape Components and Key Environmental Features

Location	Barfad – East of A83(T), Tarbert					
ACE title/ref.	17/03118/PP					
Date	4th February 2019					
Land cover and land use – other uses						
Country park	Urban park	Nature reserve	Car parks	Sports field		

Camping site

Open cast coal

Industrial Warehousing Airfield Retail Notes: No prevalent land use within ACE compartment.

Angling

Military

Land cover and land use –settlements					
Nucleated	Scattered	Linear	Unplanned	Model/planned	
Traditional	Modern	Mixed	Frequent	Infrequent	
Absent	Town	Village/township	Hamlet	Sprawling	
Steadings:	Regular	Irregular	Absent	Frequent	
	Infrequent	Small	Medium	Large	
	Traditional	Modified	Extended	Converted	

Notes: There is an absence of settlements or development along this linear coastal compartment. There is a single detached historical cottage in a waterside location fronting onto the west side of South Bay at Barmore Island at the northern tip of the ACE compartment. This cottage forms part of a loose-knit group of dwellinghouses and buildings around Stonefield Castle Hotel, inland to the north of the compartment.

Dominant Building Materials

Golf course

Dock/harbour

Stone colour	Brick colour	Render/colourwash
Tile roof colour	Slate roof colour	Stone roof colour

Notes: There is no dominant building material within the ACE compartment with the exception of natural stone dykes and the cottage at Stonefield which has a render finish with slate roof.

Linear Features					
Motorway	Main road	B roads	Minor roads	Tracks	
Road Nos/Name					
Core paths/LDR/ROW	Drove roads	Hill tracks	Derelict/operational i	railway	
Embankments	Cuttings	Power lines	High voltage	Low voltage	
Rivers/watercourses	Overhead telephone	Pipelines	Coast/shoreline		

Notes: The Allt an Luaidh burn runs through the narrow glen to a small cove adjacent to the north of the application site. An informal footpath and a separate disused, but passable grass track run roughly parallel with the burn on its southern and northern sides respectively. The former gives access to the application site. The latter stops at a grass plateau above the rocky cove on the opposite side of the burn from the application site. The other major linear feature is the coast itself, which due to coastal topography and dense vegetation behind, is not safely traversable by walkers. The only ready access to the coast between the settlement of Tarbert and Stonefield is by tracks leading to several small coves, including the two coves either side of the application site.

Single point features				
Church	Castle	Ruin	Folly/obelisk	Wind turbine
SAM/Unlisted mons	Bridge	Large house	Steadings	Signs
Mast/transmitter	Industrial site	Waste disposal site	Quarry/mine	Quarry buildings

FIELD SHEET 2: Describe Experience of the Landscape & Sense Of Place

Location	Barfad – East of A83(T), Tarbert			
ACE title/ref.	17/03118/PP			
Date	4 th February 2019			
Components of	landscape exper	rience – visible/spa	atial characteris	stics
SCALE	Intimate	Small	Large	Vast
OPENNESS	Tightly enclosed	Confined	Open	Exposed
COLOUR	Monochrome	Muted	Colourful	Garish
TEXTURE	Smooth	Varied texture	Rough	Craggy
DIVERSITY	Uniform	Simple	Diverse	Complex
FORM	Vertical	Sloping	Rolling	Flat/horizontal
LINE	Straight	Angular	Curved	Sinuous
BALANCE	Harmonious	Balanced	Discordant	Chaotic
MOVEMENT	Dead	Calm	Active	Busy
PATTERN	Random indistinct	Organised irregular	Planned regular	Formal geometric
MANAGEMENT	(Semi) natural	Derelict/disturbed	Tended	Manicured
Components of landscape experience – other senses				
SOUND	Silent	Quiet	Disturbed	Noisy
SMELL	Fresh	Agricultural	Coastal	Industrial
OTHER				

Notes:

Viewed from the loch, and from the rocky foreshore looking east over the loch, the compartment creates a very large and open sensory experience. However, within sheltered wooded glens leading down to isolated coves, the sensory experience is much more intimate, quiet, contained and harmonious.

FIELD SHEET 3: Predict and Assess Visual Impact

Location Barfad – East of A83(T), Tarbert

ACE title/ref. 17/03118/PP

Date 4th February 2019

Visible, physical components of landform, its features and characteristics

Proposal: Boatshed (4.65m x 10m x 3.95m (height of ridge above stone plinth) located within a hummocky grassed and wooded area elevated above the rocky shoreline. Wall and roof cladding is to be recessive material finishes and the form will have traditional proportions.

The building is to be sited immediately adjacent to a rock outcrop on the shoreline between two small rocky coves to the north and south.

Visual receptors	Sensitivity of viewpoint	Impact: eg. visual intrusion/obstruction	Magnitude of impacts
Trunk roads and motorways	High/Medium/Low	No views to site from A and B roads.	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
A and B roads	High/Medium/Low	No views to site from A and B roads.	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
Minor roads	High/Medium/Low	No views to site from minor roads	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
Rights of way/paths/core paths	High/ <mark>Medium</mark> /Low	There are no core paths within the ACE compartment however the coves either side of the application site are accessible by the public.	Major/ <mark>Moderate</mark> /Low/ Negligible
Important viewpoints	High/Medium/Low	N/a	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
Railways	High/Medium/Low	N/a	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
Open space and recreation areas	High/Medium/Low	Views from waterborne vessels on the loch.	Major/ <mark>Moderate</mark> /Low/ Negligible
Public buildings	High/Medium/Low	N/a	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
Residential properties	High/Medium/Low	N/a	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible
Workplaces	High/Medium/Low	N/a	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible

Notes: The site on the undeveloped coast is screened from all public roads by reason of the intervening topography and vegetation. Likewise it is an isolated location separate from other built development and therefore not visible from other buildings. Given the distance combined with recessive material finishes and wooded backdrop the proposed building will have a negligible visual impact in views from the other side of the loch.

FIELD SHEET 4: Predict and Assess Landscape Impact

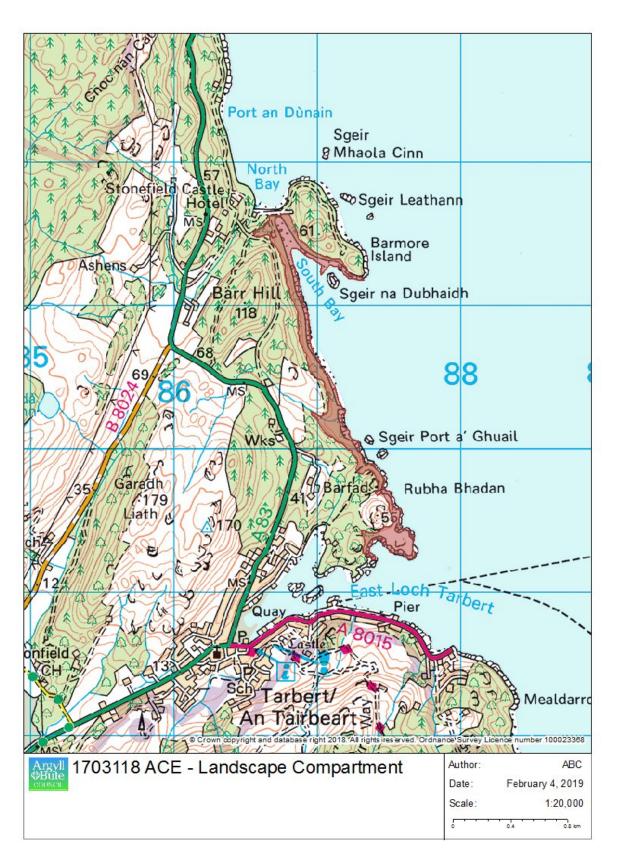
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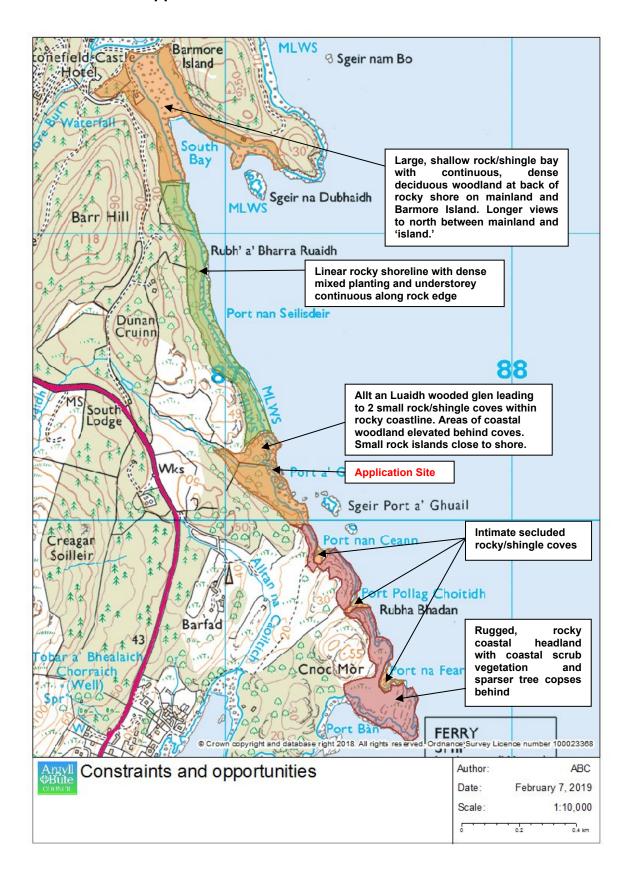
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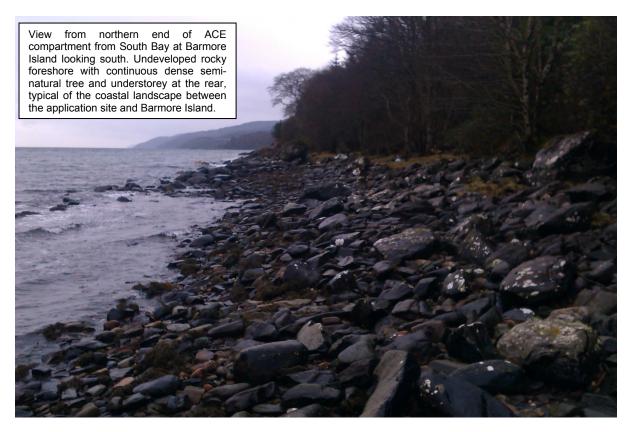
Landscape receptors What will be affected?	Sensitivity How important is it	Impact What will the effect be?	Magnitue of impact		
Landform	High/Medium/Low	Proposal will result in levelling of an irregular hummocky area.	Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Water	High/Medium/Low	Proposal will not affect coastal edge; visible from water within context of existing scattered buildings/slips	Major/ <mark>Moderate</mark> /Low/ Negligible		
Woodland and trees	High/Medium/Low	Proposal indicates felling of some 550m ²	Major/ <mark>Moderate</mark> /Low/ Negligible		
Agriculture	High/Medium/Low		Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Fields and boundaries	High/Medium/Low		Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Other land uses	High/Medium/Low		Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Settlement pattern	High/Medium/Low		Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Linear features	High/Medium/Low	The building will be visible from short to medium distances from waterborne craft on the loch.	Major/ <mark>Moderate</mark> /Low/ Negligible		
Point features	High/Medium/Low		Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Aspects of landscape experience					
Colour	High/Medium/Low	Landscape consists of muted, natural colours – development finishes will complement these.	Major/Moderate/ <mark>Low</mark> / Negligible		
Texture	High/ <mark>Medium</mark> /Low	Natural textures – development finishes will blend with these.	Major/Moderate/ <mark>Low</mark> / Negligible		
Pattern etc.	High/Medium/Low		Major/Moderate/Low/ Negligible		
Notes:					

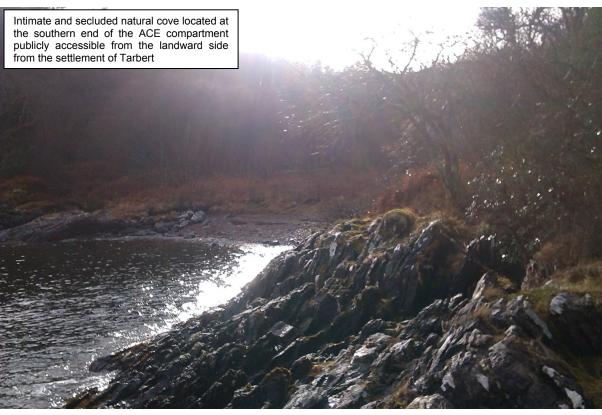
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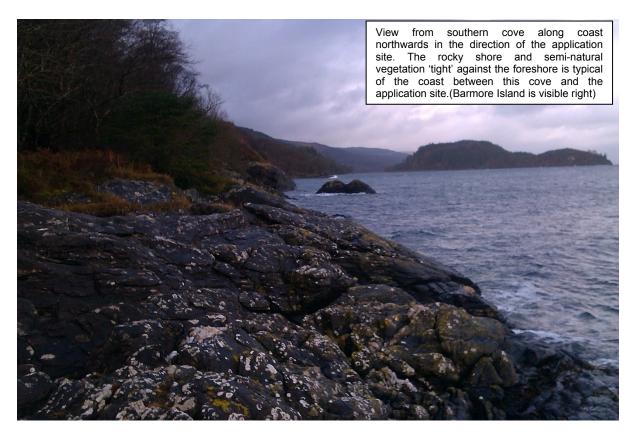


Constraints and Opportunities







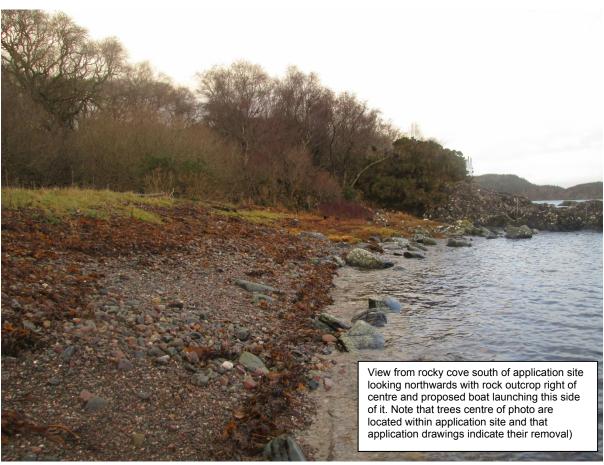




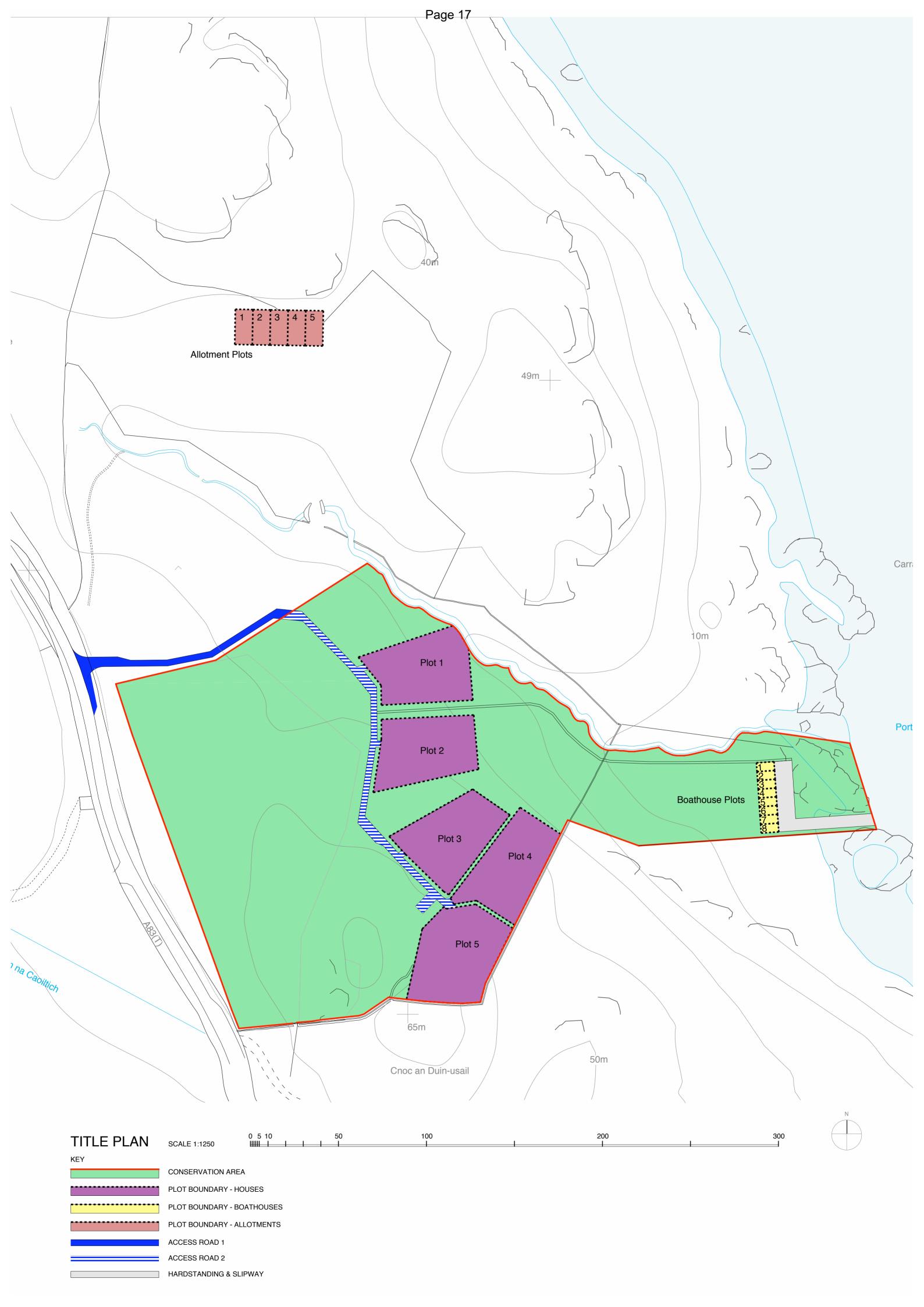


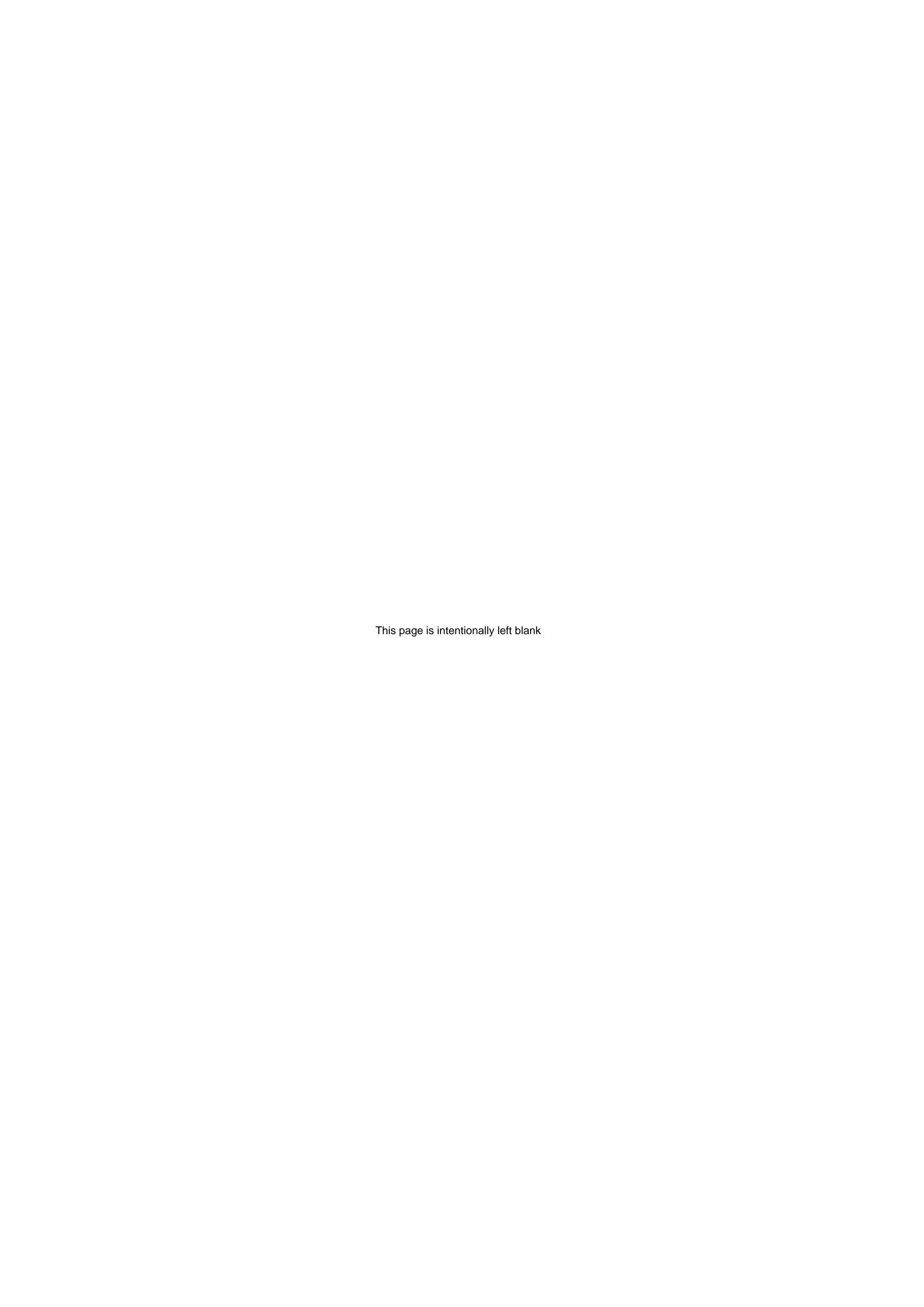












Local Review Body Land at Port A'Ghuail, Tarbert Supplementary submission for the Applicants

- 1. This supplementary submission addresses a number of observations recently made by the Planning Officer.
- 2. In terms of regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, certification was given on the application form that the Applicant had served notice on every person other than himself who, at the beginning of the period 21 days ending with the date of the application, was the owner of any land to which the application relates. Sam and Steve McColl were accordingly owner notified and their details given in the Land Ownership Certificate. The red line area identified on the application drawings is currently in their ownership and certification to that effect has properly been given.
- 3. Separately, at the date of the application, Sam and Steve McColl owned the wider area shown on the application drawings outlined in blue under deduction of Plot 3 (which the Applicant owns). Whilst that plot may more accurately have been carved out of the area outlined in blue, this minor technicality is not sufficiently material to invalidate the application. The fundamental point of owner notification is to identify the owner of the land proposed for the development and to give that party an opportunity to make representations which may then be taken into account in the determination of the application. That statutory requirement has been complied with. The owners of the land do not object to the proposal.
- 4. Questions of ownership do however bring into play two related questions which we wish to clarify for the LRB:-
 - (i) In the written submissions prepared in support of the review to the LRB, the applicant has proposed that the use of the development be tied exclusively to plot 3 and that this be secured through parties entering into s75 agreement. This could be achieved either through the Applicants and the owners of the boat shed site entering into the agreement with the Council restricting the use of the boat house in this way; alternatively, the Applicant could either take title to the boat shed site, or enter into a long lease which could then be registered, giving him the requisite power to enter into a s75 agreement directly with the planning authority. Either way, if the Council resolved to grant planning permission but only on the basis that a binding s75 agreement in terms satisfactory to the council is entered into, no consent for the boat shed would be issued and no development would take place unless and until an acceptable agreement was concluded linking the boat shed to Plot 3 as proposed.
 - (ii) Reference has been made to the curtilage of Plot 3 and whether this extends to include the land on which the boat shed would sit. We would respectfully suggest that this issue is not relevant to the determination to be made. The concept of curtilage is not at all well defined in Scots law (despite relatively common usage in planning documentation and elsewhere); there is no reference in the policy guidance to the development proposed having to

take place within the curtilage of any associated building; and the necessary linkage to Plot 3 (and hence control over the use made of the boat shed) can be secured by s75 agreement. In this way, the locational and/or operational need associated with Plot 3 is established and this distinguishes the development from any random proposal unrelated to any existing development. There is no requirement for that linkage to apply only where the linked development falls within the same curtilage (however that term is defined).

5. We have commented separately on the ACE undertaken by the council and the importance of the capacity of the area to accommodate this small development being evaluated under deletion of the plastic matting. We stress again that if this element is thought to raise planning issues, the Planning Authority can by condition specify that this element is not approved, and the Applicant is entirely content for a condition in these terms to be imposed.

Morton Fraser LLP 13 February 2019

Karen Taylor

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Kenneth Carruthers

Sent:

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12/02/2019 15:19:34

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Dear All,

Please accept my apologies for not forwarding the attached information directly to you as advised on Form AB5 with regard to the above Review. The additional information requested was sent to hazel MacInnes on the 7th February however I did not distribute it to those parties set out the Schedule.

I have just become aware of this oversight and immediately forwarded the requested additional information to each of you. I hope that this does not delay the review process.

Best Regards,

Norman

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