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LOCAL REVIEW BODY

Dear Sir or Madam

With reference to planning application Ref 17/02333/PP. by Grant Developments Ltd I would like to make some observations.

Firstly I would like to say that I am disappointed that the council can't see this site as a obvious infill site as the gap certainly doesn't look like it should be there and spoils the whole scenic aspect of the area, it also has very little to contribute to farm as it is now partly isolated from the main farm and runs the risk of becoming unkept, this seems contrary to the council policy of maintaining a rural consistency, the council having allowed two completely non traditional houses at the north end of the area which certainly do nothing for the rural Panoramic quality, the council have now decided not to allow a traditional type house similar to the one just built north of Craigruadh and more fitting to the environment with a gap of over twenty five meters between them in fact some of them are over one hundred meters apart, so when does it constitute a continuous "row" of houses, unlike the Dalkeith development where there is a continuous line of eight houses only a few meters apart which can't be in line with the council plan. To the north at Killean there is also a continues row of houses which impacts on the Panoramic quality of the area, and equally down ferry road to the Gihga ferry there is a continues row of houses which has an enormous impact on the Panoramic view, Although this planning application at Craigruadh was to be for our own occupancy we decided otherwise for personal reasons, I was then approached by a young local working couple who are getting married this year to see if the new house was available, they know the position with the planning, so they are waiting for the outcome.

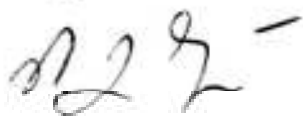
Grant developments have built several houses down the A83 between West Port and Tayinloan and pride themselves in being able to build affordable traditional type houses that young people can afford, and it also keeps young people in the area, the other plots or houses available in the area are far too expensive for younger couples to get on the housing ladder, it is equally important to maintain a balance of young people in the rural areas for the future of communities, all the houses I have built are occupied by permanent residents, not holiday homes, this is essential for local economic stability and

sustainability of communities, I am not a high profit making company and have an interest in local infrastructure and I look at it as I am providing an affordable service to the area.

I appreciate Fiona Gillies's concerns about the new house proposal, but it would have little impact on her property and the "Note" I gave her was actually out of courtesy and was more than a note, it described what the proposal was all about, her comments about other properties are quite irrelevant as people should have a choice where they want to live.

For on behalf of Grant Developments Ltd

Nigel Grant

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nigel Grant', with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.