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Submission by Applicant

Additional information requested following 1st Calling of Local Review Body on 11th May 2021

- The current farmhouse is not part of the working farm Ballochgair. This, along with the land which I own, is currently farmed by the owner of Ballochgair Farm on an informal basis.
 Having sought advice from a local farmer, even if the land under my ownership were sold along with my home, this would not produce a sustainable business.
- 2. However, the property I own is set up and suitable for holiday letting, accommodating 7 guests. In addition to the letting area, there is also separate living quarters for owners in part of the building. Even at 50% capacity this business would provide a viable income stream. (This was my business until I retired from this activity in February 2020, just as the Covid lockdown was imminent.)
- 3. As an alternative business, the property would be also be suitable as a Bed and Breakfast establishment.
- 4. Either of these enterprises would boost the local economy and increase tourism in the area, in line with Argyll and Bute Council's priority, particularly with the development of Route 66 and the Caledonia Way cycle route.

Felicity Kelly Applicant 21 May 2021