RESPONSE TO ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL'S FURTHER REPRESENTATION ERECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSE AT TIGH MHUILLEAN, OBAN PA34 4QB REF: 09/00828/DET

The Council now states "It now appears unlikely that any future dwelling on the site under consideration would be affected by the proposed new road provided that any dwelling were to be situated behind the line formed by the existing dwellings". The detailed application shows the house behind the line as requested.

The first reason for refusal stated "It is therefore premature pending the future provision and detailed design and alignment of the Development Road". It would now be unreasonable to refuse this application when the Road will not impinge on the site.

The route is on the opposite side of the road and will not affect the group of three houses at the former Old Sawmill site, otherwise those houses would have to be demolished and clearly that is not going to happen.

The site is in the "Settlement" Area and is adjacent to one of the above three houses "Tigh Mhuillean" and will round off that development. A single house would not undermine the future potential of the much larger area which will probably not be developed for a considerable time.

The Review Panel should also consider the letter from the applicant's parents (Document 4) and from the Senior Planning Officer (Document 3) who stated "There are no fundamental objections to the principle of residential development on the site in terms of land use".

The application was advertised in "The Oban Times" and no objections were lodged. I earnestly hope that the Review Panel will give the Appeal proper consideration. A Hearing would be helpful so that the Panel can include a site visit.

I believe the Appeal should be allowed so that this young man can proceed to build an affordable house for himself in the local community after being given encouragement by the Planning Officer. The policies of Argyll & Bute Council surely will not preclude this application being granted.