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For the attention of Hazel MacInnes

Dear Mr Reppke,

LOCAL REVIEW BODY REF. 12/0010/LRB
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997
APPEAL REF. 12/00013/REFPLA
ERECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSE, LAND SOUTH OF GARCHELL, CLACHAN OF
GLENDARUEL

I refer to your letter dated 19th July 2012 in respect of the above appeal to the Local Review Body. Please accept the contents of this letter as being the response of this Department in terms of Paragraph 7 of the '*Notice of Review*' Form.

The appellant's agent has provided a comprehensive list of supporting documents, one of which is this Department's Report of Handling which, it is considered, provides an adequate description of the Department's position on the proposal. On this basis, it is not proposed to send further copies of information that will already be in the possession of the Local Review Body when it determines this matter.

One matter which requires some clarification is the history of correspondence relating to the appeal site and surrounding land within the appellant's control. One of the agent's arguments is that the Planning Department has continually provided advice that would lead one to the conclusion that the subject development would be supported. The following documents show that in May 2007 and February 2012 the appellant was cautioned against applying for development at the appeal site due to the Development Plan policy issues that ultimately led to the application being refused.

Document 1 – Letter from Senior Planning Officer to Mr George Paton (appellant) dated 2nd May 2007

Document 2 – E-mail correspondence in January and February 2012 between Planning Officer and John Coleman (appellant's architect)

I would be grateful if you could convey the above comments to the Local Review Body.

Yours sincerely

Planning Officer Development Management Bute and Cowal