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# PAPERS SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT

# **NOTICE OF REVIEW**

Under Section 43A(8) Of the Town and County Planning (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (As amended) In Respect of Decisions on Local Developments

The Town and Country Planning (Schemes of Delegation and Local Review Procedure) (SCOTLAND)
Regulations 2013

The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (SCOTLAND) Regulations 2013

IMPORTANT: Please read and follow the guidance notes provided when completing this form. Failure to supply all the relevant information could invalidate your notice of review.

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FLECTRONICALLY VIA https://www.eplanning.scot

1. Applicant's Details  2. Agent's Details (if any)			
Title Forename Surname	Mr Mike Guild	Ref No. Forename Surname	John Culbert
Company Name Building No./Name Address Line 1 Address Line 2 Town/City	The Old School Coxland Crescent Bankfoot Perth	Company Name Building No./Name Address Line 1 Address Line 2 Town/City	Tay Farmhouse  Meikleour  Perth
Postcode Telephone Mobile Fax Email  3. Application De	PH1 4BX	Postcode Telephone Mobile Fax Email johncculbert@	PH2 6EE 01250883382 07534521765  Dgmail.com
Planning authority  Planning authority's application reference number  17/01299/FLL  Site address  Land 70 metres north east of Middlebank, Waterloo, Bankfoot, Perth			
Description of propose	sed development		

Date of application    1st August 2017    Date of decision (if any)    25th September 2017	
Note. This notice must be served on the planning authority within three months of the date of decision no from the date of expiry of the period allowed for determining the application.	otice or
4. Nature of Application	
Application for planning permission (including householder application)	$\boxtimes$
Application for planning permission in principle	
Further application (including development that has not yet commenced and where a time limit has been imposed; renewal of planning permission and/or modification, variation or removal of a planning condition)	
Application for approval of matters specified in conditions	
5. Reasons for seeking review	
Refusal of application by appointed officer	$\boxtimes$
Failure by appointed officer to determine the application within the period allowed for determination of the application	
Conditions imposed on consent by appointed officer	
6. Review procedure	
The Local Review Body will decide on the procedure to be used to determine your review and may at any during the review process require that further information or representations be made to enable them to during the review. Further information may be required by one or a combination of procedures, such as: written submissions; the holding of one or more hearing sessions and/or inspecting the land which is the subject review case.	letermine
Please indicate what procedure (or combination of procedures) you think is most appropriate for the hand your review. You may tick more than one box if you wish the review to be conducted by a combination of procedures.	lling of
Further written submissions One or more hearing sessions Site inspection Assessment of review documents only, with no further procedure	
If you have marked either of the first 2 options, please explain here which of the matters (as set out in you statement below) you believe ought to be subject of that procedure, and why you consider further submissional necessary.	
The appellant wishes his application to be fully reconsidered in the light of all the attached supporting submissions and also feels that it is imperative that a site visit is carried out by the members to appreciate the physical attributes of the site.	
7. Site inspection	
In the event that the Local Review Body decides to inspect the review site, in your opinion:	
Can the site be viewed entirely from public land? Is it possible for the site to be accessed safely, and without barriers to entry?	

If there are reasons why you think the Local Review Body would be unable to undertake an unaccompanied site inspection, please explain here:	
None	
8. Statement	
You must state, in full, why you are seeking a review on your application. Your statement must set out all matters you consider require to be taken into account in determining your review. Note: you may not have a further opportunity to add to your statement of review at a later date. It is therefore essential that you submit with your notice of review, all necessary information and evidence that you rely on and wish the Local Review Body to consider as part of your review.	
If the Local Review Body issues a notice requesting further information from any other person or body, you will have a period of 14 days in which to comment on any additional matter which has been raised by that person or body.	
State here the reasons for your notice of review and all matters you wish to raise. If necessary, this can be continued or provided in full in a separate document. You may also submit additional documentation with this form	n.
Please refer to attached 'Grounds of Appeal Statement' and the associated folder containing a 'Visual and Landscape appraisal of the site and its context.'	
Have you raised any matters which were not before the appointed officer at the time your application was determined?  Yes No	
If yes, please explain below a) why your are raising new material b) why it was not raised with the appointed office before your application was determined and c) why you believe it should now be considered with your review.	r

9. List of Documents and Evidence	
Please provide a list of all supporting documents, materials and evidence which you wish to submit with y of review	our notice
1 Copy of application forms 1st August 2017 2 Copy of Delegated Report 25th September 3 Copy of refusal notice 25th September 2017	
Note. The planning authority will make a copy of the notice of review, the review documents and any not procedure of the review available for inspection at an office of the planning authority until such time as the determined. It may also be available on the planning authority website.	
10. Checklist	
Please mark the appropriate boxes to confirm that you have provided all supporting documents and evide relevant to your review:	ence
Full completion of all parts of this form	V
Statement of your reasons for requesting a review	V
All documents, materials and evidence which you intend to rely on (e.g. plans and drawings or other documents) which are now the subject of this review.	V
Note. Where the review relates to a further application e.g. renewal of planning permission or modification variation or removal of a planning condition or where it relates to an application for approval of matters sp conditions, it is advisable to provide the application reference number, approved plans and decision notice that earlier consent.	ecified in
DECLARATION	
I, the applicant/agent hereby serve notice on the planning authority to review the application as set out on and in the supporting documents. I hereby confirm that the information given in this form is true and accur best of my knowledge.	
Signature: John Culbert Date: 1st December	
Any personal data that you have been asked to provide on this form will be held and processed in accordathe requirements of the 1998 Data Protection Act.	ance with



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Applications cannot be validated until all the necessary documentation has been submitted and the required fee has been paid.

Thank you for completing this application form:

**ONLINE REFERENCE** 

100060962-001

your form is validated. Please quote this reference if you need to contact the planning Authority about	
Type of Application	
What is this application for? Please select one of the following: *	
Application for planning permission (including changes of use and surface mineral working).	
Application for planning permission in principle.	
Further application, (including renewal of planning permission, modification, variation or remove	al of a planning condition etc)
Application for Approval of Matters specified in conditions.	
Description of Proposal	
Please describe the proposal including any change of use: * (Max 500 characters)	
Proposed New Dwelling on Land Adjacent to "Middleton", Muirlands Farm, Waterloo, Nr Bankfoot	i, Perthshire PH1 4AR
Is this a temporary permission? *	☐ Yes ☒ No
If a change of use is to be included in the proposal has it already taken place?  (Answer 'No' if there is no change of use.) *	☐ Yes ☒ No
Has the work already been started and/or completed? *	
No    ☐ Yes – Started    ☐ Yes - Completed	
Applicant or Agent Details	
Are you an applicant or an agent? * (An agent is an architect, consultant or someone else acting	
on behalf of the applicant in connection with this application)	Applicant Agent

Agent Details	}		
Please enter Agent detail	<b>ls</b>		
Company/Organisation:	CFY Design @ Old Faskally		
Ref. Number:		You must enter a B	suilding Name or Number, or both: *
First Name: *	Peter	Building Name:	The Lodge
Last Name: *	Miller	Building Number:	
Telephone Number: *	01796473436	Address 1 (Street): *	Old Faskally
Extension Number:		Address 2:	
Mobile Number:		Town/City: *	Killiecrankie
Fax Number:		Country: *	Perthshire
		Postcode: *	PH16 5LG
Email Address: *	cfydesign@oldfaskally.co.uk		
_	lual or an organisation/corporate entity? * enisation/Corporate entity ails		
Please enter Applicant de	etails		
Title:	Mr	You must enter a B	uilding Name or Number, or both: *
Other Title:		Building Name:	
First Name: *	Mike	Building Number:	
Last Name: *	Guild	Address 1 (Street): *	
Company/Organisation		Address 2:	
Telephone Number: *		Town/City: *	
Extension Number:		Country: *	Control Legisland
Mobile Number:		Postcode: *	
Fax Number:			
Email Address: *			

Site Address D	)etails		
Planning Authority:	Perth and Kinross Council		
Full postal address of the si	ite (including postcode where available):	:	_
Address 1:	Muirlands Farm		
Address 2:	Waterloo		
Address 3:	Bankfoot		
Address 4:			
Address 5:			
Town/City/Settlement:	Perth		
Post Code:	PH1 4AR		
Please identify/describe the	location of the site or sites		
Northing 73	37663	Easting	305507
Pre-Application	n Discussion		
Have you discussed your pr	roposal with the planning authority? *		☑ Yes ☐ No
Pre-Application	n Discussion Details (	Cont.	
in what format was the feed	back given? *		
☐ Meeting ☐ Teld	ephone 🗵 Letter 🗆 En	nail	
Please provide a description of the feedback you were given and the name of the officer who provided this feedback. If a processing agreement [note 1] is currently in place or if you are currently discussing a processing agreement with the planning authority, please provide details of this. (This will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently.) * (max 500 characters)			
proposal; he appeared to what is clearly a 'Brownfie	vas submitted. Response was unsupport be unconvinced on the boundary definiti eld' opportunity. However, he did stress iting the site to be better able to more ful	tion and appeared to class that his initial comments w	the site as 'Greenfield' as opposed to vere purely desk base and he had not
Title:	Mr	Other title:	
First Name:	David	Last Name:	Niven
Correspondence Reference Number:		Date (dd/mm/yyyy):	01/05/2016
	ment involves setting out the key stages from whom and setting timescales for the		

Site Area		
Please state the site area:	1412.00	
Please state the measurement type used:	Hectares (ha) Square Metres (sq.m)	
Existing Use		
Please describe the current or most recent use: *	(Max 500 characters)	
Un-used land previously the site of Middleton Fa	rmhouse and Steading	
Access and Parking		
Are you proposing a new altered vehicle access to	or from a public road? *	🛛 Yes 🗌 No
	the position of any existing. Altered or new access page footpaths and note if there will be any impact on the second sec	
Are you proposing any change to public paths, pub	lic rights of way or affecting any public right of acces	ss? • Yes 🗵 No
If Yes please show on your drawings the position of arrangements for continuing or alternative public as	f any affected areas highlighting the changes you pr ccess.	opose to make, including
How many vehicle parking spaces (garaging and o Site?	pen parking) currently exist on the application	0
How many vehicle parking spaces (garaging and o Total of existing and any new spaces or a reduced		3
Please show on your drawings the position of exist types of vehicles (e.g. parking for disabled people,	ing and proposed parking spaces and identify if thes coaches, HGV vehicles, cycles spaces).	e are for the use of particular
Water Supply and Drainage	Arrangements	:
Will your proposal require new or altered water sup	ply or drainage arrangements? *	⊠ Yes □ No
Are you proposing to connect to the public drainage	e network (eg. to an existing sewer)? *	
Yes – connecting to public drainage network		
No - proposing to make private drainage arrar		
Not Applicable – only arrangements for water s	supply required	
As you have indicated that you are proposing to ma	ke private drainage arrangements, please provide fu	urther details.
What private arrangements are you proposing? *		
☐ New/Altered septic tank.		
X Treatment/Additional treatment (relates to pack	age sewage treatment plants, or passive sewage tre	eatment such as a reed bed).
Other private drainage arrangement (such as c	hemical toilets or composting toilets).	

Please explain your private drainage arrangements briefly here and show more details on your plans a	nd supporting information: *
Installation of new bio-disc with soakaway.	
Do your proposals make provision for sustainable drainage of surface water?? * (e.g. SUDS arrangements) *	⊠ Yes □ No
Note:-	
Please include details of SUDS arrangements on your plans	
Selecting 'No' to the above question means that you could be in breach of Environmental legislation.	
Are you proposing to connect to the public water supply network? *	
No, using a private water supply	
□ No connection required	
If No, using a private water supply, please show on plans the supply and all works needed to provide it	(on or off site).
Assessment of Flood Risk	i
Is the site within an area of known risk of flooding? *	Yes 🗵 No 🗌 Don't Know
If the site is within an area of known risk of flooding you may need to submit a Flood Risk Assessment I determined. You may wish to contact your Planning Authority or SEPA for advice on what information in	
Do you think your proposal may increase the flood risk elsewhere? *	Yes 🗵 No 🗌 Don't Know
Trees	
Are there any trees on or adjacent to the application site? *	X Yes No
If Yes, please mark on your drawings any trees, known protected trees and their canopy spread close to any are to be cut back or felled.	the proposal site and indicate if
Waste Storage and Collection	
Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste (including recycling)? *	🛛 Yes 🗌 No
If Yes or No, please provide further details: * (Max 500 characters)	
Screened bin store to be located adjacent to garage	
Residential Units Including Conversion	
Does your proposal include new or additional houses and/or flats? *	X Yes No

How many units do you propose in total? * 1		
Please provide full details of the number and types of units on the plans. Additional information may be provid statement.	ed in a supporting	
All Types of Non Housing Development – Proposed New F	loorspace	
Does your proposal alter or create non-residential floorspace? *	Yes X No	
Schedule 3 Development		
Does the proposal involve a form of development listed in Schedule 3 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure (Scotland) Regulations 2013 *	No Don't Know	
If yes, your proposal will additionally have to be advertised in a newspaper circulating in the area of the develor authority will do this on your behalf but will charge you a fee. Please check the planning authority's website for fee and add this to your planning fee.		
If you are unsure whether your proposal involves a form of development listed in Schedule 3, please check the notes before contacting your planning authority.	e Help Text and Guidance	
Planning Service Employee/Elected Member Interest		
Is the applicant, or the applicant's spouse/partner, either a member of staff within the planning service or an elected member of the planning authority? *	☐ Yes ☒ No	
Certificates and Notices		
CERTIFICATE AND NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 15 - TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATION 2013		
One Certificate must be completed and submitted along with the application form. This is most usually Certificate B, Certificate C or Certificate E.	ate A, Form 1,	
Are you/the applicant the sole owner of ALL the land? *	☐ Yes ☒ No	
Is any of the land part of an agricultural holding? *	⊠ Yes □ No	
Do you have any agricultural tenants? *	☐ Yes ☒ No	
Are you able to identify and give appropriate notice to ALL the other owners? *	X Yes □ No	
Certificate Required		
The following Land Ownership Certificate is required to complete this section of the proposal:		
Certificate B		

Land Ow	nership Certificate
Certificate and N Regulations 2013	otice under Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland)
i hereby certify th	nat .
	ther than myself/the applicant was an owner [Note 4] of any part of the land to which the application relates at the period of 21 days ending with the date of the accompanying application;
or -	
	applicant has served notice on every person other than myself/the applicant who, at the beginning of the period of 21 the date of the accompanying application was owner [Note 4] of any part of the land to which the application relates.
Name:	Mr Robert Baillie
Address:	
Date of Service of	f Notice: * 27/07/2017
(2) - None of the I	and to which the application relates constitutes or forms part of an agricultural holding;
or -	
applicant has sen	part of the land to which the application relates constitutes or forms part of an agricultural holding and I have/the wed notice on every person other than myself/himself who, at the beginning of the period of 21 days ending with the apanying application was an agricultural tenant. These persons are:
Name:	
Address:	
Date of Service of	Notice: *
Signed:	Peter Miller
On behalf of:	Mr Mike Guild
Date:	27/07/2017
	☑ Please tick here to certify this Certificate. *

Checklist – Application for Planning Permission
Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997
The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013
Please take a few moments to complete the following checklist in order to ensure that you have provided all the necessary information in support of your application. Failure to submit sufficient information with your application may result in your application being deemed invalid. The planning authority will not start processing your application until it is valid.
a) If this is a further application where there is a variation of conditions attached to a previous consent, have you provided a statement to that effect? *  Yes No Not applicable to this application
b) If this is an application for planning permission or planning permission in principal where there is a crown interest in the land, have you provided a statement to that effect? *  Yes No X Not applicable to this application
c) If this is an application for planning permission, planning permission in principle or a further application and the application is for development belonging to the categories of national or major development (other than one under Section 42 of the planning Act), have you provided a Pre-Application Consultation Report? *  Yes No No Not applicable to this application
Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997
The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013
d) If this is an application for planning permission and the application relates to development belonging to the categories of national or major developments and you do not benefit from exemption under Regulation 13 of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, have you provided a Design and Access Statement? *  Yes No X Not applicable to this application
e) If this is an application for planning permission and relates to development belonging to the category of local developments (subject to regulation 13. (2) and (3) of the Development Management Procedure (Scotland) Regulations 2013) have you provided a Design Statement? *  Yes No X Not applicable to this application
f) If your application relates to installation of an antenna to be employed in an electronic communication network, have you provided an ICNIRP Declaration?
Yes No X Not applicable to this application
g) If this is an application for planning permission, planning permission in principle, an application for approval of matters specified in conditions or an application for mineral development, have you provided any other plans or drawings as necessary:
Site Layout Plan or Block plan.
Elevations.
Floor plans.
Cross sections.
Roof plan.
Master Plan/Framework Plan.
Landscape plan.
Photographs and/or photomontages.
Other.
If Other, please specify: * (Max 500 characters)
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Provide copies of the following	ng documents if applicable:				
A copy of an Environmental S	Statement. *	Yes X N/A			
A Design Statement or Desig	n and Access Statement. *	🛛 Yes 🗌 N/A			
A Flood Risk Assessment. *		☐ Yes 🗵 N/A			
A Drainage Impact Assessme	ent (including proposals for Sustainable Drainage Systems). *	☐ Yes 🗵 N/A			
Drainage/SUDS layout. *		☐ Yes 🏻 N/A			
A Transport Assessment or 1	Fravel Plan	☐ Yes 🏻 N/A			
Contaminated Land Assessment.*		Yes 🗵 N/A			
Habitat Survey. *		☐ Yes ☒ N/A			
A Processing Agreement. *		☐ Yes 🗵 N/A			
Other Statements (please sp	ecify). (Max 500 characters)				
Declare – For Application to Planning Authority					
I, the applicant/agent certify that this is an application to the planning authority as described in this form. The accompanying Plans/drawings and additional information are provided as a part of this application.					
Declaration Name:	Mr Peter Miller				
Declaration Date:	27/07/2017				
Payment Details					
Cheque: AM. Guild, 004731  Created: 27/07/2017 11:34					

# **PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL**

Mr Mike Guild c/o CFY Design @ Old Faskally Peter Miller The Lodge Old Faskally Killiecrankie Perthshire PH16 5LG

Pullar House 35 Kinnoull Street PERTH PH1 5GD

Date 25th September 2017

# **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT**

Application Number: 17/01299/FLL

I am directed by the Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Acts currently in force, to refuse your application registered on 1st August 2017 for permission for **Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage Land 70 Metres North East Of Middleton Waterloo Bankfoot** for the reasons undernoted.

# Interim Head of Planning

#### **Reasons for Refusal**

- 1. The proposal is contrary to Policy RD3 of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 and the Council's Housing in the Countryside Guide 2014 as it does not comply with any of the categories of the policy guidance where a dwellinghouse or dwellinghouses would be acceptable in principle at this location.
- 2. The proposal is contrary to Policy PM1B, criterion (a) of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014, as the proposal fails to create a sense of identity and erodes the character of the countryside.
- 3. The proposal is contrary to Policy PM1B, criterion (b) of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014, as the siting of dwellinghouse on this prominent piece of land would erode and dilute the areas landscape character.

4. The proposal is contrary to Policy ER6 of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 as it erodes local distinctiveness, diversity and quality of Perth and Kinross's landscape character. This includes eroding the visual and scenic qualities of the landscape and the quality of landscape experience through the siting of the dwellinghouse on this prominent piece of land.

# **Justification**

The proposal is not in accordance with the Development Plan and there are no material reasons which justify departing from the Development Plan

The plans relating to this decision are listed below and are displayed on Perth and Kinross Council's website at <a href="https://www.pkc.gov.uk">www.pkc.gov.uk</a> "Online Planning Applications" page

Plan Reference		
17/01299/1		
17/01299/2		
17/01299/3		
17/01299/4		
17/01299/5		
17/01299/6		
17/01299/7		
17/01299/8		
17/01299/9		

17/01299/10

17/01299/11

# REPORT OF HANDLING

# **DELEGATED REPORT**

Ref No	17/01299/FLL		
Ward No	P5- Strathtay		
<b>Due Determination Date</b>	30.09.2017		
Case Officer	Sean Panton		
Report Issued by		Date	
Countersigned by		Date	

**PROPOSAL:** Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage.

**LOCATION:** Land 70 Metres North East of Middleton, Waterloo,

Bankfoot.

# **SUMMARY:**

This report recommends **refusal** of the application as the development is considered to be contrary to the relevant provisions of the Development Plan and there are no material considerations apparent which justify setting aside the Development Plan.

**DATE OF SITE VISIT:** 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017

# SITE PHOTOGRAPHS





# **BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL**

The application site is on land 70metres North East of Middleton, Waterloo, Bankfoot. The application seeks detailed permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse and a double garage.

The proposed dwellinghouse is 1 3/4 storey and has 3 double bedrooms and a study. The proposal at maximum width is approximately 13metres and at maximum length is approximately 14metres. The overall footprint of the house

is approximately 145m<sup>2</sup>. The maximum height of the house (excluding the chimney) is approximately 8metres.

The proposed detached double garage is approximately 6.4metres in length, 6.5metres in width and 5metres at maximum height.

In relation to materials for both the dwellinghouse and garage, the roof is to be slate clad and the walls are to be finished in a white smooth cement render with stone quoins. The windows and doors will be coloured powder coated aluminium exterior with timber internal frame units. The balcony element will have a structural glass balustrade with stainless steel posts.

#### SITE HISTORY

None.

# PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION

Pre-application Reference: 16/00310/PREAPP It was highlighted at pre-application stage that the proposal is not compliant with Policy RD3: Housing in the Countryside at the proposal fails to meet any of the required criteria.

#### **NATIONAL POLICY AND GUIDANCE**

The Scottish Government expresses its planning policies through The National Planning Framework, the Scottish Planning Policy (SPP), Planning Advice Notes (PAN), Creating Places, Designing Streets, National Roads Development Guide and a series of Circulars.

#### **DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Development Plan for the area comprises the TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012-2032 and the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014.

# TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012 – 2032 - Approved June 2012

Whilst there are no specific policies or strategies directly relevant to this proposal the overall vision of TAYplan should be noted. The vision states "By 2032 the TAYplan region will be sustainable, more attractive, competitive and vibrant without creating an unacceptable burden on our planet. The quality of life will make it a place of first choice, where more people choose to live, work and visit and where businesses choose to invest and create jobs."

# Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 – Adopted February 2014

The Local Development Plan is the most recent statement of Council policy and is augmented by Supplementary Guidance.

The principal policies are, in summary:

# Policy PM1A - Placemaking

Development must contribute positively to the quality of the surrounding built and natural environment, respecting the character and amenity of the place. All development should be planned and designed with reference to climate change mitigation and adaption.

# Policy PM1B - Placemaking

All proposals should meet all eight of the placemaking criteria.

# Policy PM3 - Infrastructure Contributions

Where new developments (either alone or cumulatively) exacerbate a current or generate a need for additional infrastructure provision or community facilities, planning permission will only be granted where contributions which are reasonably related to the scale and nature of the proposed development are secured.

# Policy PM4 - Settlement Boundaries

For settlements which are defined by a settlement boundary in the Plan, development will not be permitted, except within the defined settlement boundary.

# Policy RD3 - Housing in the Countryside

The development of single houses or groups of houses which fall within the six identified categories will be supported. This policy does not apply in the Green Belt and is limited within the Lunan Valley Catchment Area.

Policy TA1B - Transport Standards and Accessibility Requirements
Development proposals that involve significant travel generation should be
well served by all modes of transport (in particular walking, cycling and public
transport), provide safe access and appropriate car parking. Supplementary
Guidance will set out when a travel plan and transport assessment is required.

Policy ER6 - Managing Future Landscape Change to Conserve and Enhance the Diversity and Quality of the Areas Landscapes
Development proposals will be supported where they do not conflict with the aim of maintaining and enhancing the landscape qualities of Perth and Kinross and they meet the tests set out in the 7 criteria.

#### **OTHER POLICIES**

#### Housing in the Countryside Guide

A revised Housing in the Countryside Guide was adopted by the Council in October 2014. The guide applies over the whole local authority area of Perth and Kinross except where a more relaxed policy applies at present. In practice this means that the revised guide applies to areas with other Local

Plan policies and it should be borne in mind that the specific policies relating to these designations will also require to be complied with. The guide aims to:

- Safeguard the character of the countryside;
- Support the viability of communities;
- Meet development needs in appropriate locations;
- Ensure that high standards of siting and design are achieved.

The Council's "Guidance on the Siting and Design of Houses in Rural Areas" contains advice on the siting and design of new housing in rural areas.

# <u>Development Contributions and Affordable Housing Guide 2016</u>

This document sets out the Council's Policy for securing contributions from developers of new homes towards the cost of meeting appropriate infrastructure improvements necessary as a consequence of development.

#### **CONSULTATION RESPONSES**

#### **Environmental Health:**

No objection to the proposed development however recommends an informative to be added to any consent granted in relation to private water supply.

**Transport Planning:** 

No objection to the proposed development.

**Developer Contributions:** 

£2,639.00 transport contribution is required.

#### REPRESENTATIONS

1 letter of representation was received objecting to this proposal. In summary, the letter highlighted the following concerns:

- Adverse impact on visual amenity
- Contrary to local development plan
- Inappropriate land use
- Road safety concerns/ usage of road
- Impact upon water supply
- Footprint of farm buildings does not match
- Site is greenfield and should not be developed

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED:**

Environmental Impact Assessment	Not Required
(EIA)	
Screening Opinion	Not Required

EIA Report	Not Required
Appropriate Assessment	Not Required
Design Statement or Design and Access Statement	Submitted
Report on Impact or Potential Impact eg Flood Risk Assessment	Not Required

# **APPRAISAL**

Sections 25 and 37 (2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 require that planning decisions be made in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The Development Plan for the area comprises the approved TAYplan 2012 and the adopted Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014.

The determining issues in this case are whether; the proposal complies with development plan policy; or if there are any other material considerations which justify a departure from policy.

# **Policy Appraisal**

The local plan through Policy PM4 - Settlement Boundaries specifies that development will not be permitted, except within the defined settlement boundaries which are defined by a settlement boundary in the Plan.

However, through Policy RD3 - Housing in the Countryside, it is acknowledged that opportunities do exist for housing in rural areas to support the viability of communities, meet development needs in appropriate locations while safeguarding the character of the countryside as well as ensuring that a high standard of siting and design is achieved. Thus the development of single houses or groups of houses which fall within the six identified categories will be supported.

Having had the opportunity to undertake a site visit and assess the plans, like the pre-application advice given for the site, I consider the application does not relate to:-

- (a) Building Groups
- (b) Infill sites.
- (c) New houses in the open countryside on defined categories of sites as set out in section 3 of the Supplementary Guidance.
- (d) Renovation or replacement of houses.
- (e) Conversion or replacement of redundant non-domestic buildings.
- (f) Development on rural brownfield land.

The agent has indicated through the provided Design Statement that the application should be considered under criterion (a), building groups, and criterion (f), development on rural brownfield land.

# **Building Groups**

In relation to criterion (a), building groups, an existing building group is defined as 3 or more buildings of a size at least equivalent to a traditional cottage, whether they are of a residential and/or business/agricultural nature. In this case the neighbouring house cannot be considered as a building group as it is stand alone to the adjacent farm buildings which are a further 90metres away. The existing house, Middleton, is not considered to be part of the farm holding as suggested by the applicant due to the vast distance between them.

Notwithstanding the above, I therefore again turn to supplementary guidance, 'The Housing in the Countryside Guide' that was adopted by the Council in October 2014, which assists with the assessment of Policy RD3. This highlights that:-

Consent will be granted for houses within building groups provided they do not detract from both the residential and visual amenity of the group. Consent will also be granted for houses which extend the group into definable sites formed by existing topography and or well established landscape features which will provide a suitable setting. All proposals must respect the character, layout and building pattern of the group and demonstrate that a high standard of residential amenity can be achieved for the existing and proposed house(s).

Proposals which contribute towards ribbon development will not be supported.

In this case, the proposal constitutes an unacceptable extension to the existing house and nearby grouping which would result in sprawl into the countryside, which would detract and destroy the character of the area. The proposal would also lead to ribbon development along the unnamed road. The allowing of ribbon development could seriously compromise the area as infill development may then become possible on created sites. As the site does not have suitable definable boundaries on the northern and eastern boundaries, as stated as a requirement in the guidance, this could set a precedent for future ribbon development in this location. The existing post and wire fence is not considered to make a definable site.

# **Brownfield Land**

With regards to criterion (f), rural brownfield land, the agent has indicated that the proposal should be considered under development on rural brownfield land, however this site is not considered rural brownfield land as the current state of the site cannot be considered as 'brownfield' as the policy defines brownfield land as land that was formerly occupied by buildings. In this instance the site contains a large pile of rubble and as such cannot be assessed as being brownfield in terms of the HICG. This pile of rubble is not considered to be suitable evidence of former buildings and as such the site is considered to be greenfield, as highlighted at pre-application stage. I also do

not consider that the existence of rubble within the site provides any basis to confirm the site as brownfield. In any case the site is almost entirely laid to grass and the removal of the rubble from the site would not result in the removal of dereliction or result in a significant environmental improvement. The below photograph shows the rubble on site from the site visit:



Taking the above into account, the principle of housing development on the site is contrary to Policy RD3.

# **Design, Layout and Landscape**

The site is on a relatively elevated piece of land and therefore highly visible from the surrounding area. Whilst the design of the proposed dwellinghouse is considered to be of a high quality, due to its scale on this elevated piece of land, the proposal is considered to erode the landscape qualities and visual amenity of the area. The proposed boundary treatments are not considered sufficient screening to suitably accommodate a dwellinghouse of this scale without having a significant impact upon the landscape qualities of the area.

Due to the prominence of the site from the surrounding area and the proposed siting of the dwellinghouse being highly visible upon the landscape, it is therefore considered that the development of this site into a dwellinghouse could negatively impact upon the landscape character of the area whilst eroding the quality of place.

It should however be noted that I have no outstanding concerns in relation to the layout of the site.

# **Residential Amenity**

The proposed dwellinghouse is approximately 64metres from the neighbouring dwellinghouse. This is considered to be a sufficient distance. The proposal also has a suitable amount of garden ground which provides suitable amenity ground for any future residents of the property. I therefore have no concerns in relation to residential amenity.

#### **Roads and Access**

Concern was raised through a letter of representation received in relation to roads and access. On reviewing the submitted plans, I do not consider the provision of a single dwellinghouse on this site will result in traffic generation that is unsuitable for the area. Furthermore, my colleagues in Transport Planning were consulted as part of this application and have no objection to make.

# **Drainage and Flooding**

There are no drainage and flooding implications associated with this proposed development. The site is not within an area of known flood risk.

# **Developer Contributions**

# **Primary Education**

The Council Developer Contributions Supplementary Guidance requires a financial contribution towards increased primary school capacity in areas where a primary school capacity constraint has been identified. A capacity constraint is defined as where a primary school is operating, or likely to be operating following completion of the proposed development and extant planning permissions, at or above 80% of total capacity.

This proposal is within the catchment of Auchtergaven Primary School.

Education & Children's Services have no capacity concerns in this catchment area at this time and as such no education contribution is required.

#### Transport Infrastructure

The Council Transport Infrastructure Developer Contributions Supplementary Guidance requires a financial contribution towards the cost of delivering the transport infrastructure improvements which are required for the release of all development sites in and around Perth.

The site is within the reduced Transport Infrastructure contributions area therefore £2,639.00 transport contribution is required. This has not been sought from the applicant due to the application being recommended for refusal.

## **Economic Impact**

The development of this site will count towards local housing targets, accounting for short term economic investment through the short term construction period and indirect economic investment of future occupiers of the associated development.

#### Conclusion

In conclusion, the application must be determined in accordance with the adopted Development Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. In this respect, the proposal is not considered to comply with the approved TAYplan 2012 and the adopted Local Development Plan 2014. I have taken account of material considerations and find none that would justify overriding the adopted Development Plan. On that basis the application is recommended for refusal.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESSING TIME**

The recommendation for this application has been made within the statutory determination period.

#### **LEGAL AGREEMENTS**

None required.

## **DIRECTION BY SCOTTISH MINISTERS**

None applicable to this proposal.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Refuse the application.

#### **Conditions and Reasons for Recommendation**

- The proposal is contrary to Policy RD3 of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 and the Council's Housing in the Countryside Guide 2014 as it does not comply with any of the categories of the policy guidance where a dwellinghouse or dwellinghouses would be acceptable in principle at this location.
- The proposal is contrary to Policy PM1B, criterion (a) of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014, as the proposal fails to create a sense of identity and erodes the character of the countryside.
- The proposal is contrary to Policy PM1B, criterion (b) of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014, as the siting of dwellinghouse on this prominent piece of land would erode and dilute the areas landscape character.
- The proposal is contrary to Policy ER6 of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 as it erodes local distinctiveness, diversity and quality of Perth and Kinross's landscape character. This includes eroding the visual and scenic qualities of the landscape and the quality of landscape experience through the siting of the dwellinghouse on this prominent piece of land.

#### **Justification**

The proposal is not in accordance with the Development Plan and there are no material reasons which justify departing from the Development Plan.

# **Informatives**

Not Applicable.

# **Procedural Notes**

Not Applicable.

# PLANS AND DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THIS DECISION

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Date of Report 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017

# **Grounds of Appeal Statement**

for

# the Erection of a Dwellinghouse on land adjacent to Middlebank, Waterloo, Bankfoot 17/01299/FLL

for

# Mr and Mrs Mike Guild



John Culbert Chartered Town Planner 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017

#### Introduction

This appeal is submitted on behalf of Mr and Mrs Mike Guild in respect of Perth and Kinross Council's refusal of a full planning application 17/01299/FLL for the erection of a dwellinghouse on land 70 metres north east of Middleton, Waterloo, Bankfoot, Perth.

The application was registered by Perth and Kinross Council on the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017 and was refused under delegated powers on the 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017. The reasons given for refusal were as follows:

- 1. The proposal is contrary to Policy RD3 of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 and the Council's Housing in the Countryside Guide 2014 as it does not comply with any of the categories of the policy guidance where a dwellinghouse or dwellinghouses would be acceptable in principle at this location.
- 2 The proposal is contrary to Policy PM1B, criterion (a) of the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014, as the proposal fails to create a sense of identity and erodes the character of the countryside.
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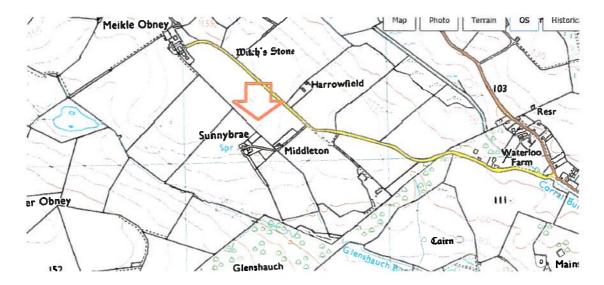
and the justification as follows:

'The proposal is not in accordance with the Development Plan and there are no material reasons which justify departing from the Development Plan.'

This statement will set out the appellants grounds for appealing by addressing the above reasons in the light of the development plan policies and relevant material considerations. In addition, a separate portfolio containing aerial photographs, view point images of the site, copies of historical maps and details of recent neighbouring planning consents has also been included in support of this appeal.

## The Site and Location

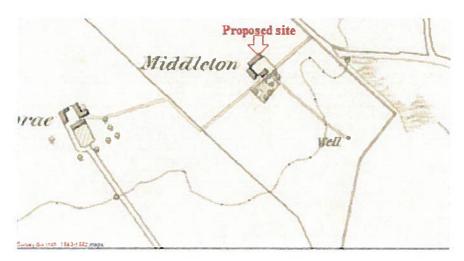
The site about two miles due north west of Bankfoot within the Meikle Obney area and comprises the stone remains of the former Middleton Farmhouse and outbuildings. Access is via the Meikle Obney unclassified road turning off at Waterloo village from the A class Bankfoot to Dunkeld Public Road.



The site area extends to about 0.25ha and comprises a small maintained lawn area to one end and the downtakings from the former buildings within the other half of the site where a group of trees combined with a significant drop in level on the east boundary forming a distinctive landscape feature. The site itself is closely associated with a small building group comprising the bungalow known as 'Middleton' immediately adjacent to the site and its neighbour immediately to the west known as 'Sunnybrae', a farmhouse with separate stone built steading.

The former remains of the original Middleton farmhouse which are very much in evidence on site can be authenticated directly from the historical map below.





#### **Pre-application Enquiry**

A Pre-application enquiry was submitted to the Council in May 2016 and a response was received from Mr David Niven who was unsupportive of our initial proposal which was based on a basic outline sketch proposal; he appeared to be unconvinced on the boundary definition and appeared to class the site as 'Greenfield' as opposed to what is clearly a 'Brownfield' opportunity. However, he did stress that his initial

comments were purely desk base and he had not had the opportunity of visiting the site to be better able to more fully assess the context and the surroundings.

Following the submission of the planning application both the applicant and the agent contacted the Case Officer Mr Sean Panton and asked him to make contact to discuss any issues arising. However, the decision was issued without any contact in an arbitory fashion.

# The Proposal

The applicant seeks to develop the site for a one and a half storey 3 bedroomed dwellinghouse of traditional form and using a combination of natural stone facing and wet dash render with a roof clad with natural slate.





The design details and selection of external finishes was partly modelled on the nearby house to the north east of the site known as 'Harrowfield' which sits very comfortably in its rural setting as evident in the photo below.

# **Third Party Objection**

One objection was made to the application from a local landowner expressing concerns with regard to water supply drainage and access limitations, but these issues were commented on by the Case Officer and dismissed as invalid concerns. It is also interesting that other issues raised confirm the presence of the former buildings on site, yet go on to refer to it as a 'greenfield site' rather than as a 'brownfield site' as defined in the Council's own policy.



# National policy and Guidance

The Scottish Government expresses its planning policies through The National Planning Framework 1 & 2, the Scottish Planning Policy (SPP), Planning Advice Notes (PAN), Designing Places, Designing Streets, and a series of Circulars.

# **Development Plan**

The Development Plan for the area comprises the TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012-2032 and the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014.

# TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012 – 2032 - Approved June 2012

Whilst there are no specific policies or strategies directly relevant to this proposal the overall vision of the Tay Plan should be noted. The vision states "By 2032 the TAYplan region will be sustainable, more attractive, competitive and vibrant without creating an unacceptable burden on our planet. The quality of life will make it a place of first choice, where more people choose to live, work and visit and where businesses choose to invest and create jobs."

# Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 - Adopted February 2014

The Local Development Plan was adopted by Perth and Kinross Council on 3 February 2014. It is the most recent statement of Council policy and is augmented by Supplementary Guidance.

The principal policies are, in summary:

RD3: Supplementary Guidance: Housing in the Countryside

The development of single houses or groups of houses which fall within the six identified categories will be supported. This policy does not apply in the Green Belt and is limited within the Lunan Valley Catchment Area.

It is also an essential general requirement of the RD3 that all new developments should take place within a clearly defined site with natural containment and a good landscape framework.

Reason 1 for refusal implies that the proposal does not fit any of policy categories including 'Building Groups' and 'Brownfield Sites'.

# Placemaking Policies PM1A and PM1B

Policy PM1A requires (in summary) new development to contribute positively to the quality of the surrounding built and natural environment, respecting the character and amenity of the place, and including appropriate new landscape and planting works, while policy PM1B in summary requires proposals to complement the design and density of the surroundings in terms of appearance, height, scale, massing, materials, finishes and colours.

Reason 2 and 3 relate to Placemaking policy **PM1B** and in particular, criteria (a) and (b) as follows:

- (a) 'the proposal fails to create a sense of identity and erodes the character of the countryside'
- (b) 'the siting of dwellinghouse on this prominent piece of land would erode and dilute the areas landscape character'

As the Case Officer has not included placemaking policy PM1A in the reasons for refusal which must imply that the Council is satisfied that the proposal sits comfortably with the relevant policy criteria stating that the development should 'contribute positively to the quality of the surrounding built and natural environment, respecting the character and amenity of the place'

The acceptance of the above criteria in PM1A directly contradicts the Council's objections under policy PM1B.

# **ER6 Managing Future Landscape Change**

Reason 4 lists that the proposal contravenes this policy, however, this policy specifically relates to the 'Special Landscape Areas' designated and approved by the Council in Supplementary Landscape Guidance 17<sup>th</sup> June 2015. The appeal site does not lie within a Special Landscape Area nor is it affected by any other landscape designation.

# **Grounds of Appeal**

This appeal requires to be determined in accordance with the Development Plan unless material considerations dictate otherwise.

I am satisfied that there are sound planning reasons for granting this appeal for the erection of a dwellinghouse.

The material considerations which are critical in this appeal in summary are as follows:

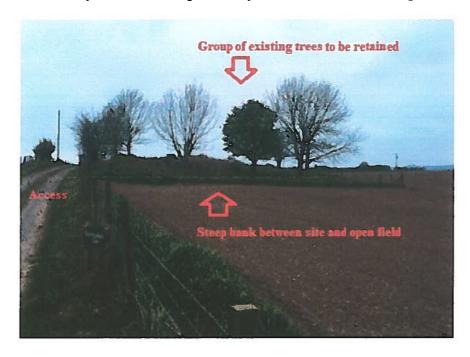
- The site does conform to the 'Housing in the Countryside' (HITCP) policy in respect of both the categories relating to Section 1 'Building Groups' as (a) it forms a logical extension to an existing cluster of three buildings and (b) constitutes a 'Brownfield site' under Section 5 as both evidence of former buildings are evident on site and also verified by OS maps.
- In landscape terms the site is well contained by existing trees and physical features which provide 'an identifiable site' raising no adverse visual or residential amenity issues.
- In terms of the design and layout, the Case Officer himself states that the design is of a high quality and he also has no objections to the site layout.
- Within a 250 metre radius of the appeal site, recent developments have been approved within the last three years and under the current HITCP immediately to the north and to the south of the appeal site where a much more relaxed interpretation of the HITCP has been exercised.
- The Case Officer has clearly sought to apply every possible reason to refuse this application, including reason 4 which refers to ER6 which is a protective landscape policy which is only intended to apply to the Council's 11 'Special Landscape Areas', but does not apply to the appeal site itself, as it lies outwith any of these designated areas and its application can have no justification. Highlighting the over strict and dogmatic application of Council policies.
- The appellants have lived in Bankfoot for over 30 years (?) and clearly feel aggrieved at such a rigid interpretation of the policy criteria, particularly as Section 3.4 specifically appears to support 'Local People' in their housing aspirations.

#### Detailed Appraisal of RD3 'Housing in the Countryside' (Reason 1 for Refusal)

The site lies within the landward area within the adopted Local Development Plan 2014, the most relevant policy guidance is comprised in *Policy RD3: 'Housing in the Countryside'* and its associated SPG 2012 on Housing in the Countryside, which is the most recent expression of Council policy towards new housing in the open countryside. The 2012 guide identifies various categories of development opportunity under Sections 1-6. In this case two sections would appear to be particularly relevant as follows:

In summary, under Section 1 'Building groups', the policy encourages the extension of existing building groups into well defined sites. It is also an essential general requirement of the policy that all new developments should take place within a clearly defined site with natural containment and a good landscape framework. In addition, under Section 6 'Rural Brownfield land' the policy identifies opportunities for new development on sites formerly occupied by buildings where it would either remove dereliction or could be judged as resulting in a positive environmental improvement.

The proposed site is situated within the context of a small building group as defined in the policy as constituting at least three significant buildings, not necessarily houses but at least of cottage size. Immediately adjacent to the proposed plot is a single storey house known as 'Middleton' and immediately beyond that is the farmhouse known as 'Sunnybrae' with a significant steading building to its rear, thereby qualifying under the policy as a building group. The proposed site forms a logical extension to this small building group, being well contained within established boundaries and benefits from a group of semi mature trees and a physical change in level (a containing topographical feature) at its far end which would act as a physical stop or buffer to any further development beyond as illustrated in the photo below.



Development would also be appropriate in terms of the existing building pattern and would not detract from the amenity of the other houses in the group. Understandably, the planner in his initial desk based assessment was not immediately aware of the physical attributes of the site and the fact that characteristics of the group are very typical of other rural groups within the surrounding area. It would certainly appear that the proposal would be very much in line with the objectives and requirements of Section 1.

However, the Case Officer disagrees with this assessment and considers the gap between buildings is too large, however, the spacing is very typical of small rural building clusters in this area.

In terms of Section 6 where it relates to 'Rural Brownfield land', the proposed site originally comprised the site of the former 'Middleton Farmhouse' and its associated outbuildings as evidenced in the copy of the historical map dating back to 1882 and would certainly qualify under this section of the policy. The downtakings of these buildings are still very much in evidence on site where they collectively present an appearance of significant dereliction all to the detriment of the visual and residential amenity of neighbours. The policy simply requires a site to have been formerly occupied by buildings and two alternative requirements of either (a) removing dereliction or (b) constituting an environmental improvement. The historical map

provides firm evidence of former buildings and the evidence on site of the ruinous remains certainly constitutes dereliction detrimental to visual amenity. The site is identifiable as a potential building plot and there is no other alternative feasible use for the ground. The policy also allows up to five houses on rural brownfield sites, but in this case the applicant is only seeking consent for a single house. A further requirement is the landscaping/remedial works for the site which in this case, includes the retention of existing trees and the lying out of the garden to include a pond feature and further tree planting. The tidying up and redevelopment of this site would certainly result in a local environmental improvement as additionally required under the policy and the proposal would appear to more than satisfy all the essential qualifying policy criteria.



The Case Officer has deliberately downplayed the obvious evidence of the former use using a photograph showing just three stones on site and not even acknowledging the indisputable evidence of historic O.S. maps. The policy is quite clear in this respect and simply states 'a site formerly occupied by buildings' it does nor require the buildings to be still standing. In terms of the second test, the Case Officer clearly does not agree that the downtakings on site constitute 'dereliction', nor does he recognise that there would be a positive 'environmental improvement'. The policy does not define either of these descriptions, but it does appear logical that the replacement of a large pile of rubble (in the Case Officer's own words) with a house of a high quality of design (Case Officer's own words) would be a qualifying improvement in visual terms.

A further more general requirement of the policy RD3 requires sites to be clearly defined with natural containment and a good landscape framework. In the case this site, it is contained by an existing house curtilage, a road, belt of trees and a change in level which is a well established landscape feature and with post and wire fencing on the remaining rear boundary providing complete physical enclosure. The Case Officer objects to the presence of a post and wire fence as a boundary definition. However, I would point out that there are plenty of precedents where post and wire fences have been accepted as a means of enclosure, subject to new boundary landscaping and in this regard, I would refer to applications 14/01424/IPL and 14/01425/IPL; both these applications involved sites where the rear boundaries comprised post and wire

fencing. It is more important that the site is 'identifiable' with a good setting and provides a good 'landscape fit' for the intended new development so that it will blend in with local surroundings. The aerial photograph above clearly illustrates the physical and topographical features, including the boundary fencing which all combine to create what is a completely contained site, fully in line with the general policy requirements.

# Placemaking Policies PM1A and PM1B Landscape issues (Reason 2 and 3 for Refusal)

The Council's Placemaking policies PM1A and PM1B seek compatibility with the surroundings and local character in the context of any proposed development, the characteristics of site and likely impacts on both visual and residential amenity. Clearly, the applicant's intention is to build a modest one and a half storey house of simple rural proportions in a traditional form and respectful of the local vernacular and finished in a palatte comprising wet dash, stone, timber and natural slate appropriate to its context and setting. The Case Officer has confirmed in his Report of Handling that the proposed house is of a high standard of design and has no objections to the layout on site.



In regard to amenity considerations, as already outlined above, the site is set well back from any main 'A' class public roads and any visual impact would be minimal and very localised. In addition, the proposed house would not impinge on the amenity of its neighbours through proximity or overlooking and does not raise any residential amenity issues and this is not contested. I am satisfied that the proposed development would not present any conflict with the placemaking policy PM1B as claimed as there would be no adverse impacts on local character and the proposed development would be respectful of the surroundings raising no visual or residential amenity issues.

It has also been suggested that the proposal would lead to 'ribbon development'. However, the official definition of ribbon development is as follows:

'the building of houses along a main road, especially one leading out of a town or village.'

Clearly, this would not be relevant to this particularly rural location which is served by a minor private access.

The Case Officer also refers to the proposed site establishing a precedent for further building. However, there is no concept of binding precedents in the planning system as each individual planning application is treated on its own individual merits.

Obvious contradiction where the development is judged to be acceptable under PM1A, but yet conflict with similar criteria in Policy PM1B, particularly as he feels the proposal would detract and destroy the character of the area. Policy PM1A states the following:

'contribute positively to the quality of the surrounding built and natural environment, respecting the character and amenity of the place'

Clearly, the fact that the proposal does not conflict with the above statement of policy contradicts his own landscape assessment about eroding landscape character.

#### Neighbouring Development Sites (Less rigid policy interpretation)

The following two sites lie to the north and south of the appeal site within a radius of approximately 250 metres (refer to plan below) and are the nearest recent development sites and in each case reflect a much more flexible interpretation of the HITCP.

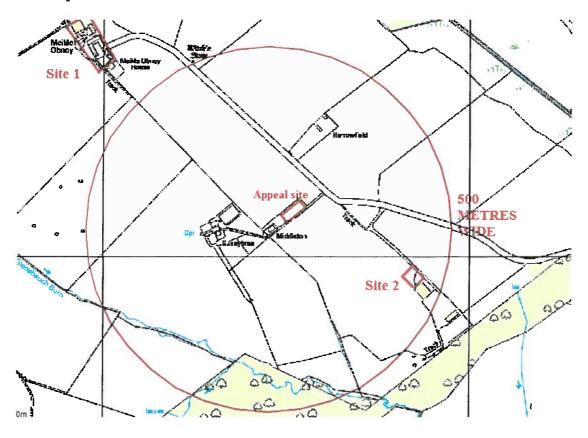
#### Site 1 Land adjacent to Meikle Obney Farm Cottage

Planning consent was recently granted under 14/02080/FLL (6 houses) 14/02081/FLL (5 houses) to demolish existing stone built steadings and erect a total of 11 new houses. The current HITCP would have applied which under the conversion of non domestic buildings operates a presumption in favour of conversion rather than demolition and replacement with new build housing. However, earlier lapsed consents for up to 18 houses on the site persuaded the planners that a case could be made for demolition, even though it was contrary to the spirit of the current policy which seeks to retain traditional stone buildings in the countryside. A total of 11 new detached executive style houses bearing little resemblance to a stone built farm steading conversion and yet, were not seen as detracting from the character of the local landscape.

#### Site 2 Land 400 Metres South East Of Middleton

An application for a new house next to an isolated permitted development farm shed was approved under 10/00532/FLL on grounds of economic need based on horse breeding with an occupancy condition attached. A new landscape context was to be

created by planning condition as the site was simply in the corner of an open field. However the site was recently sold and a change of housetype submitted under 15/01046/FLL and approved as being in line with the current HITCP and this time with the occupancy clause removed. Thereby granting consent for an isolated house in the countryside normally seen as directly contrary to policy RD4 and also with no concerns expressed with regard to visual impact or harm to the character of the landscape.



ER6 Landscape (Reason 4 for Refusal)

The Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan includes Supplementary Guide on Landscape as follows:

'The Landscape Supplementary Guidance was adopted by the Council on 17 June 2015 and became the statutory supplementary guidance to the Adopted Local Development Plan. It has been produced to include the review and update of Local Landscape Designations in Perth and Kinross into the Council's planning policy framework. It also provides further advice on the implementation of Local Development Policy ER6: Managing Future Landscape Change to Conserve and Enhance the Diversity and Quality of the Area's Landscapes within the 11 Special Landscape Areas, and will help to bring forward land management initiatives to protect and enhance these areas.'

This reason is invalid as this policy strictly applies within the 11 'Special Landscape Areas' but does not apply to the appeal site itself which lies outwith any of these designated areas, its application can therefore have no justification. Highlighting again the overly strict yet confusing application of Council policies.

The appeal site is unaffected by any other form of landscape designations.

#### Policy bias against 'Local People'

Policy RD4 'Housing in the Countryside' under Section 3.4 encourages housing opportunities for 'Local People', yet the recent planning history on neighbouring development sites referred to above, indicates a preference for open market housing based on a more relaxed interpretation of the Council's HITCP. Clearly, in this case the reasons for refusal have been applied in a very dogmatic matter and display obvious contradictions and in the case of ER6 an invalid reason. It is little wonder that my clients feel that bias has been exercised in favour of the larger developer unfairly penalising opportunities and aspirations for a local family.

#### **Further Procedure**

The appellants would encourage that the Local Review Body to select the available option of a site visit to fully appreciate the site context in relation to its surroundings.

Accordingly, this appeal should be allowed and planning permission granted.

#### **APPEAL PORTFOLIO**

#### FOR PROPOSED NEW HOUSE

#### AT MIDDLETON, MEIKLE OBNEY

#### FOR MR A M GUILD

#### **STATEMENT**

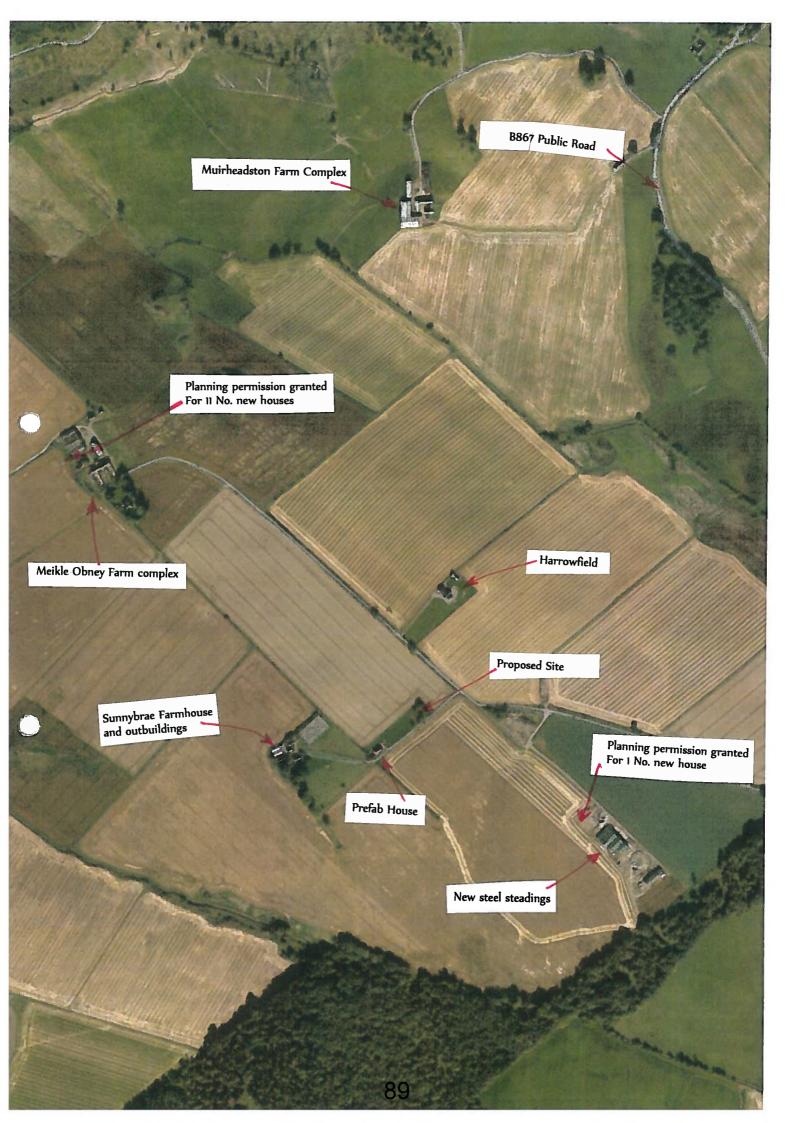
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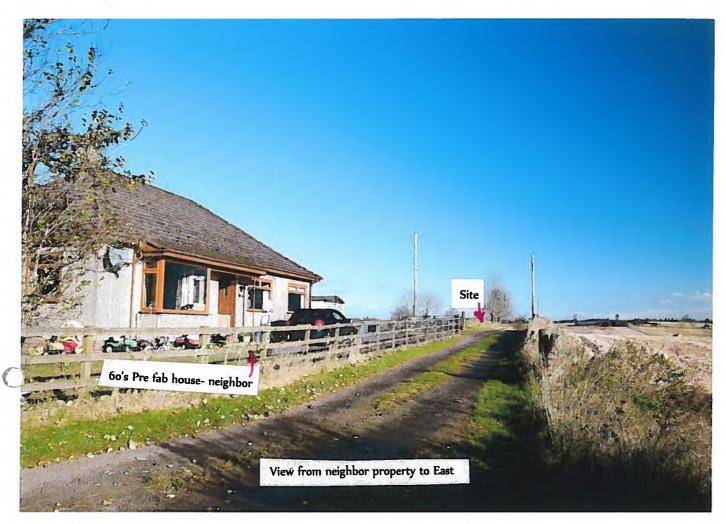
- a) The site is not a greenfield site as it without question was the site of a previous farmhouse and outbuildings complex as evidenced by on site rubble and structures and most tellingly, clearly is identified in this location by historical, official OS map documentation.
- b) The proposed site whilst not within a close group of houses, clearly lies central to several closely adjacent houses and farm buildings.
- c) The proposed site is not a stand out individual site set within pristine, unadulterated landscape.
- d) The site will not be openly visible from public access roads, namely the B867.
- e) Planning permissions have already been granted for 1 No. house to the south field area and 11 No. houses to the north field area all set within the same alleged pristine landscape (10/00532/FLL and 14/02080/FLL).

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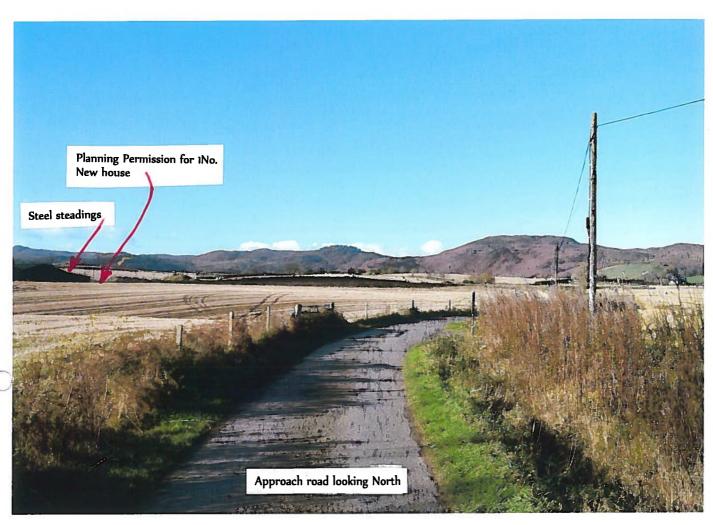
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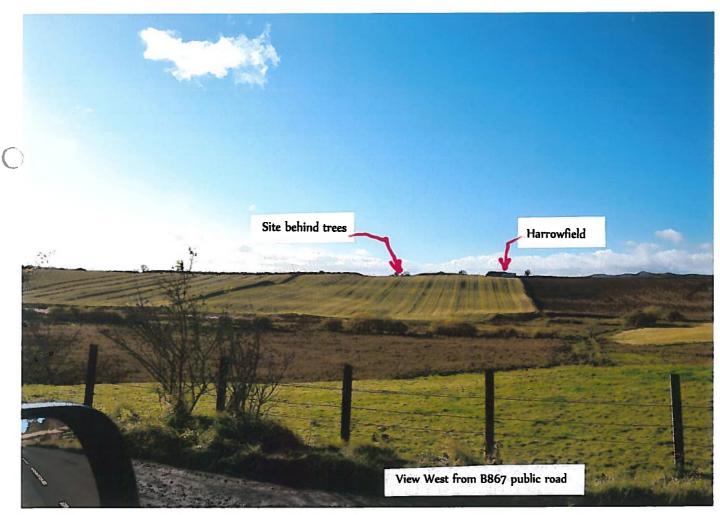


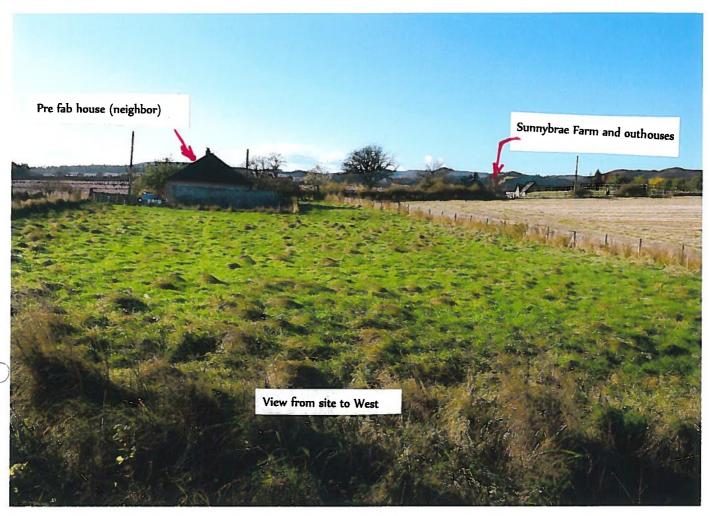


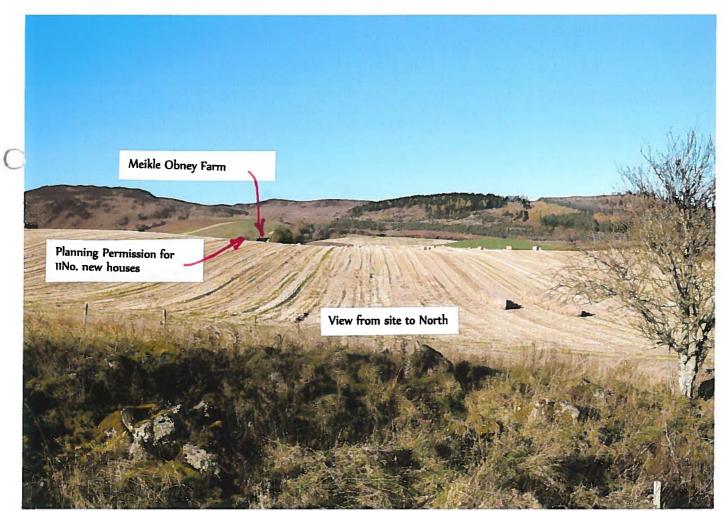




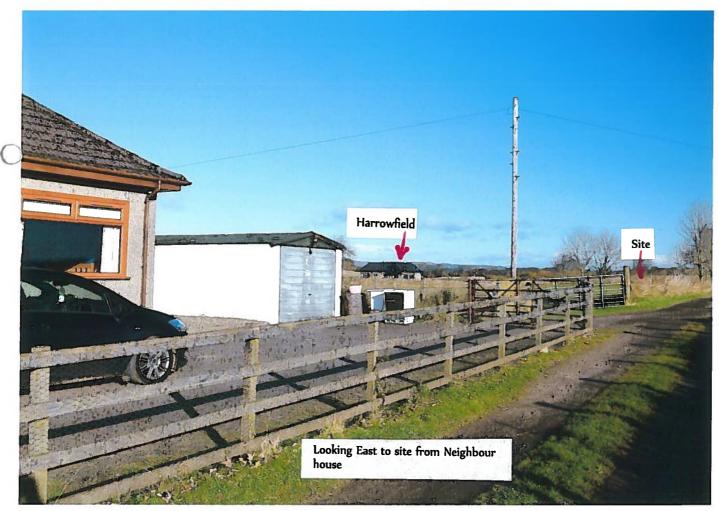


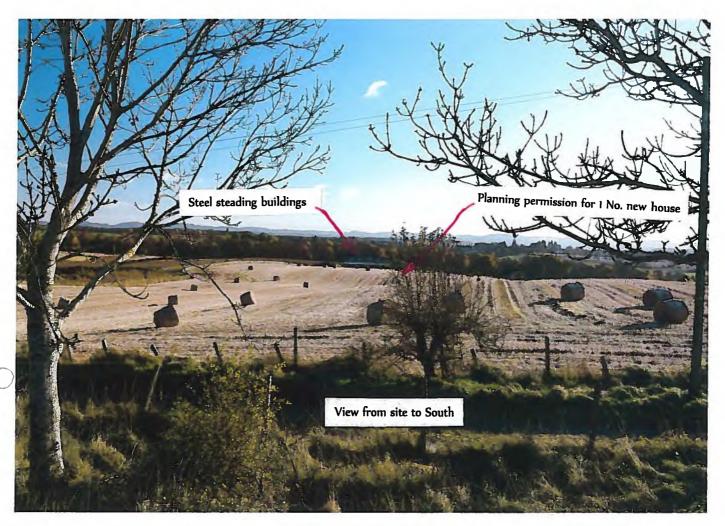


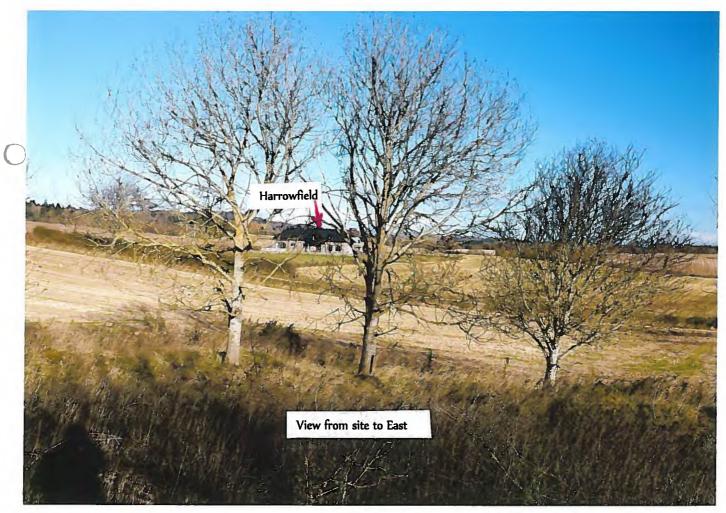


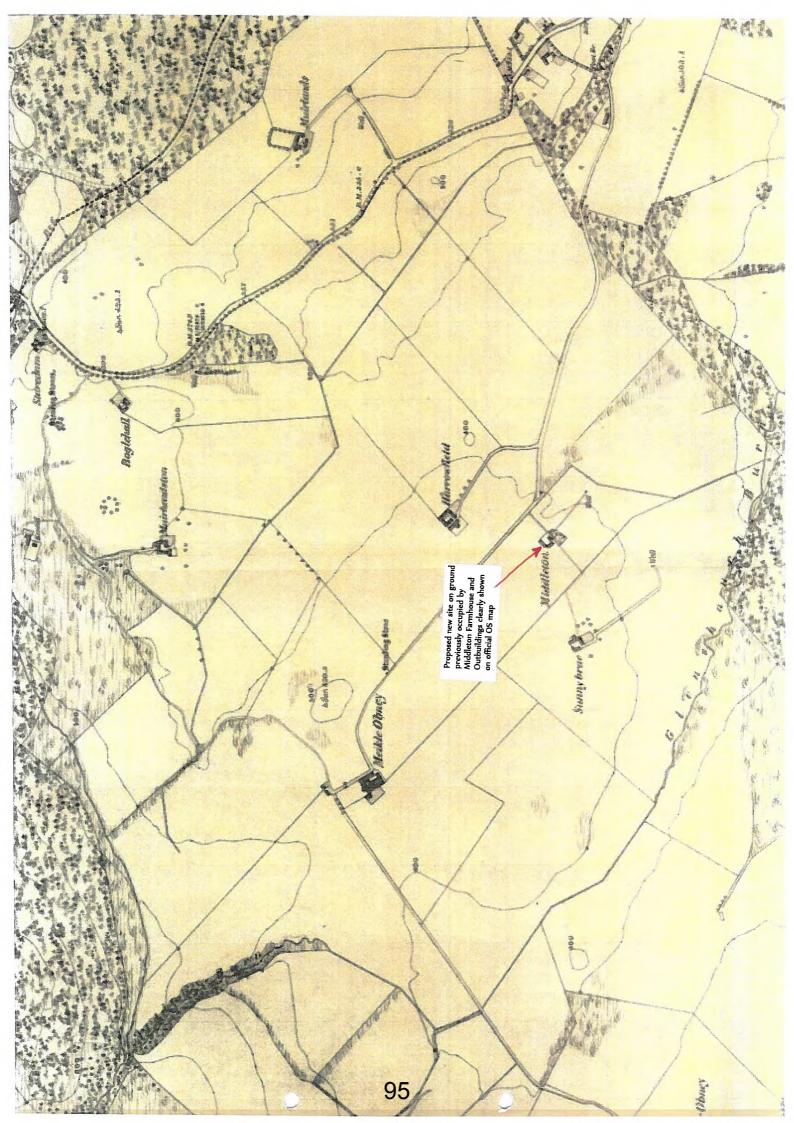


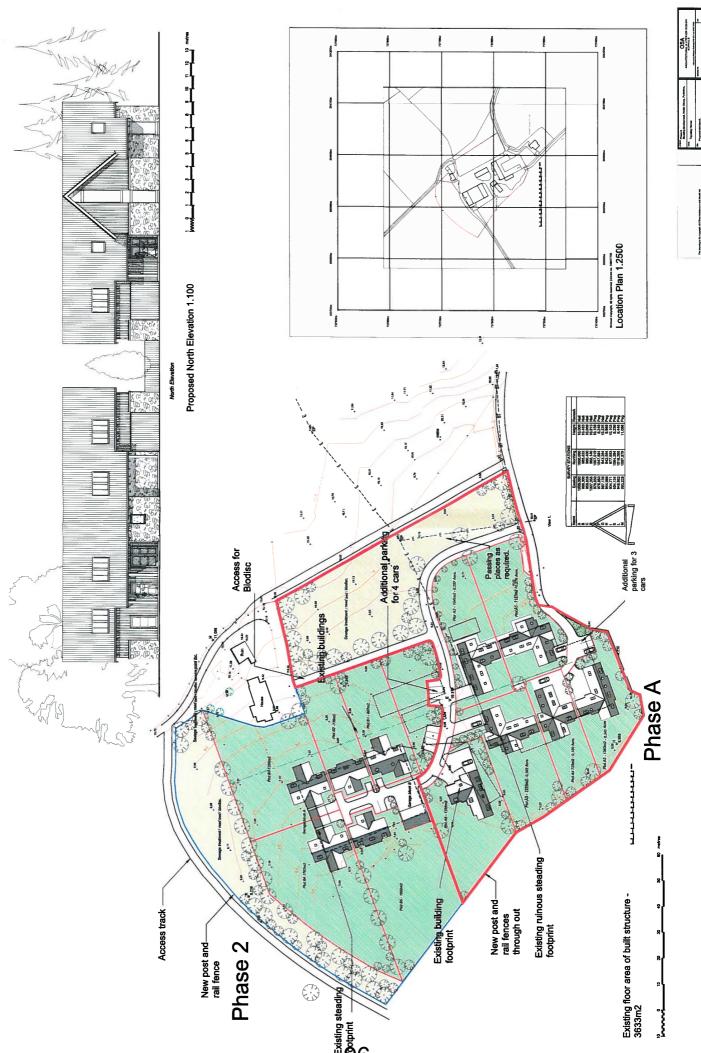












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#### **Summary**

Reference14/02080/FLLAlternative Reference000105218-001Application ReceivedMon 01 Dec 2014Application ValidatedThu 11 Dec 2014

Address Land 80 Metres South Of Meikle Obney Farm Cottage Waterloo Bankfoot

Proposal Erection of 6 dwellinghouses

Status Decided

**Decision** Approve the application

Decision Issued DateFri 06 Feb 2015Appeal StatusUnknownAppeal DecisionNot Available

#### **Further Information**

Application Type planning permission local
Decision Approve the application
Actual Decision Level Delegated Decision
Expected Decision Level Not Available
Case Officer John Williamson
Community Council Not Available
Ward Strathtay

Applicant Name Tayvalley Homes

Agent Name OSA

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**Environmental Assessment Required No** 

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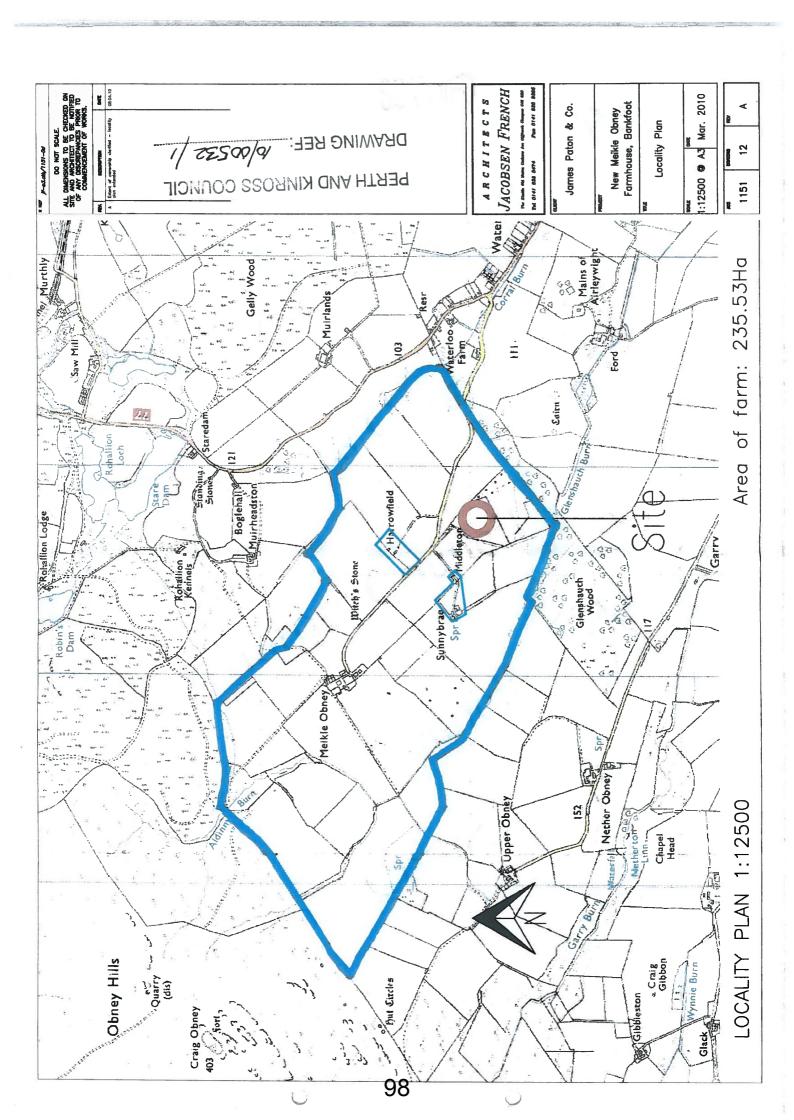
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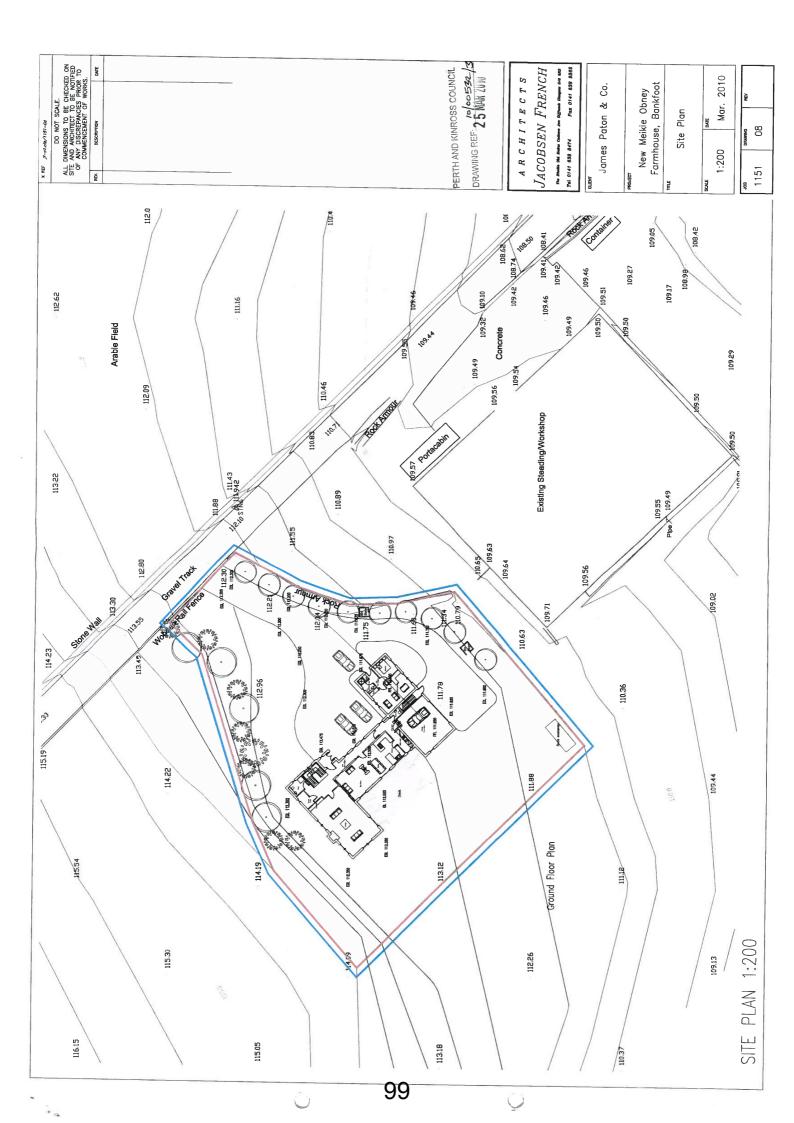
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Permission Expiry Date Mon 05 Feb 2018
Environmental Impact Assessment Received Not Available

#### **Related Information**

There are 29 documents associated with this application.

There are 0 cases associated with this application.





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#### **Summary**

Reference 10/00532/FLL Alternative Reference Not Available Application Received Fri 26 Mar 2010 Application Validated Mon 12 Apr 2010

Address Meikle Obney Farm Waterloo Bankfoot **Proposal** Erection of a dwellinghouse

Status Decided

Decision Approve the application **Decision Issued Date** Tue 20 Sep 2011

**Appeal Status** Unknown **Appeal Decision** Not Available

#### **Further Information**

**Application Type** planning permission local Decision Approve the application **Actual Decision Level Delegated Decision Expected Decision Level** Not Available **Case Officer** David Niven **Community Council** Auchtergaven

Ward Strathtay

**Applicant Name** James Paton And Co Agent Name Jacobsen French Architects

**Agent Company Name** Not Available

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**Environmental Assessment Required No** 

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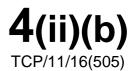
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#### **Related Information**

There are 32 documents associated with this application.

There is 1 case associated with this application.

There are 2 properties associated with this application.



TCP/11/16(505) – 17/01299/FLL – Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage on land 70 metres north east of Middlebank, Waterloo, Bankfoot, Perth

PLANNING DECISION NOTICE (included in applicant's submission, see pages 61-62)

**REPORT OF HANDLING** (included in applicant's submission, see pages 63-72)

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS



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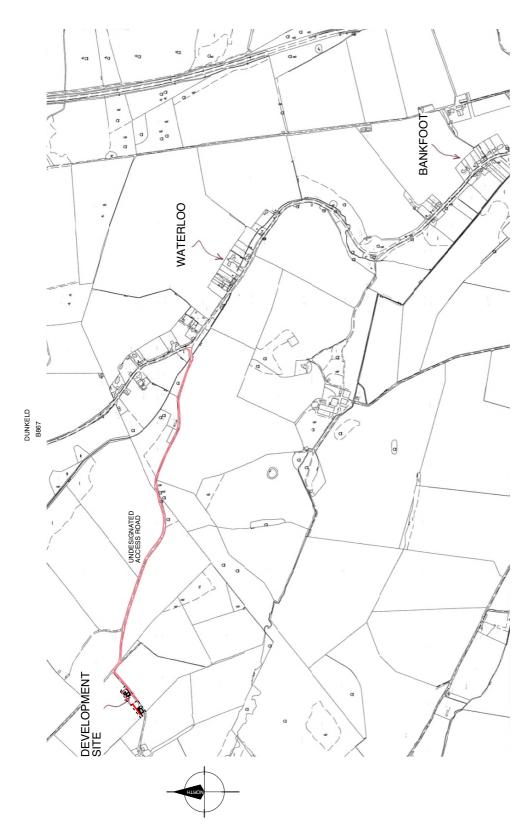


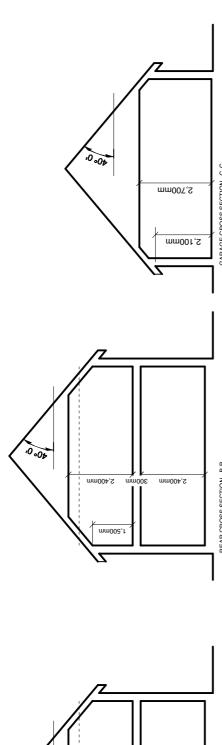
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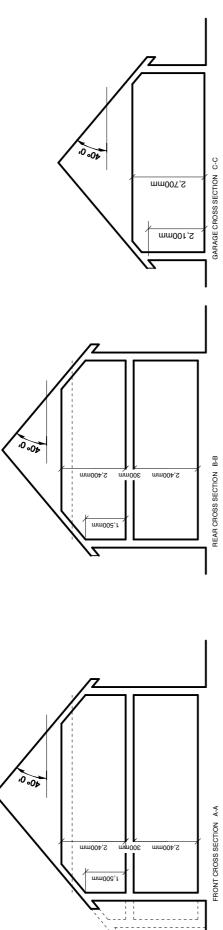
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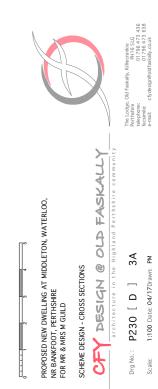
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With over 60 years' experience delivering high performance and reliable wastewater treatment systems worldwide, you can trust Kingspan Klargester.

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BioDisc uses the tried and tested Rotating Biological Contactor technology. This proven technology ensures continued high performance and hassle free sewage treatment for the entire lifetime of your product.

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The Rotational Biological Contactor (RBC) is central to the operation of each Kingspan Klargester BioDisc<sup>®</sup>. It supports a biologically active film or biomass onto which aerobic micro-organisms, naturally found in sewage, become established. Natural breakdown of sewage can then occur as described below.

	SINGLE HOUSE		MULTIPLE HOUSES	
UNIT SIZE	ВА	ВА-Х	ВВ	ВС
Population Equivalent	1 House up to 4 bedrooms	1 House up to 7 bedrooms	2 House up to 8 bedrooms	3 House up to 12 bedrooms
Overall diameter / Width (mm)	1995	1995	1995	2450
Standard drain inlet (mm)	750*	750*	750*	600†
Standard outlet (mm)	835	835	835	685
Depth from invert to base (mm)	1400	1400	1400	1820
Pipework Diameter (mm)	110	110	110	110
Sludge storage period (Approx)	12 Months	9 Months	6 Months	7 Months
Standard power supply	Single Phase	Single Phase	Single Phase	Single Phase
Motor rating	50W	50W	50W	75W
Empty weight (KG)	325 Kgs	350 Kgs	350 Kgs	650 Kgs



#### PRIMARY SETTLEMENT TANK

Wastewater and sewage flows into the primary settlement tank where the large solids are retained for future removal.



### FIRST STAGE BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT

The liquor and fine solids then flow into the Biological Treatment Zone 1 where the first stage of treatment occurs.

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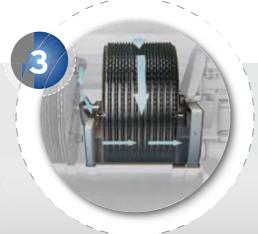


#### **ROTATING BIOLOGICAL CONTACTOR (RBC)**

The RBC comprises banks of vacuum formed polypropylene media supported by a steel shaft. This is slowly rotated by a low energy consumption electric motor and drive assembly.

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For further technical information and videos on the BioDisc® treatment plant visit our website at kingspanklargester.com



#### SECOND STAGE BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT

The liquor is then fed forward at a controlled rate into Biological Treatment Zone 2 for further cleaning.



#### **FINAL SETTLEMENT TANK**

The clean liquid passes into the final settlement tank where it can be discharged to ground or water course.











# WHAT DETERMINES MY CHOICE OF SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT?

The BioDisc® is technically engineered with high performance and quality in mind. Each component of the BioDisc® has been manufactured and chosen with care, to ensure continuous operation of a tried and tested wastewater treatment process.

What else do I need to consider when choosing my sewage treatment plant?



#### · The size of treatment plant needed

We'll take you through the best practice guidelines from British Water's 'Flows and Loads' sizing criteria to help you make the correct choice.





#### - Ground conditions around the plant

We'll establish whether it's a wet or dry site to determine the choice of backfill used on the tank.





#### Wastewater discharge options

With the new Environmental Agency regulations for domestic plants, it's now more important than ever to take responsibility for wastewater discharges.





#### · Ground conditions around the plant

Kingspan Klargester offer a range of drain invert level options to match your site conditions.







# REED BEDS



For some installations, Kingspan Klargester BioDisc treatment plants are used alongside a reed bed filtration process to further enhance the quality of the effluent migrating into drainage fields or a surrounding watercourse. Reed beds are an optional extra and are supplied separately from the BioDisc sewage treatment plant.

#### **Benefits**

- Tertiary treatment for new applications with tight discharge consents
- Satisfies new building regulations
- Improved effluent quality for existing works
- Very low maintenance
- Aesthetically pleasing and environmentally friendly
- Easy to install and maintain

#### DESIGN

Advanced Patented design delivers superior performance

Pre-fabricated to ensure correct sizing

Modules designed with a hydraulic gradient across the length of the units

Performance tested in Germany to EN12566-3 in combination with a Part 3 plant

Modular system comprising of:

- · Two individual reed beds = single house application
- · Four individual reed beds = two house application

Adjustable outlet weir allows water level control

One piece GRP moulding installed flush to the ground

Reeds and GRP beds supplied. Washed pea gravel, 'growing' media by others (not included)

Effluent discharge is typically improved by at least 50%, providing reduced BOD and suspended solids

Provides rooting zone depth of 600mm (required by Phragmites Australis)







# CUSTOMER SUPPORT

We stand by the quality and performance of Kingspan Klargester products and our support doesn't stop once your tank is installed. We're on standby 24/7 with guidance on servicing and maintenance and offer tailored warranty options. Our trained professional support team is only a phone call away.

#### Peace of mind with extended warranty options

We offer an extended and tailored warranty or bond on your sewage treatment plant to suit your needs and budget. This cost effective package offers the benefits of scheduled maintenance inspections to ensure your system performs at optimum levels at all times.

#### Customer support when you need it

Our friendly local customer service team are on hand with professional advice. We operate a dedicated helpline on 01296 633 000 and a support email address for customers on klargester@kingspan.com

#### Service and maintenance

We recommend that you service your BioDisc sewage treatment plant once a year. Under new Environment Agency regulations, it's now your responsibility to ensure smooth running of your plant. Our in house Service department offer a range of service packages including Gold, Silver and Bronze to cater for all homeowners' needs. To find out more about how you could benefit from a tailored service package from Kingspan, call us on **0844 846 0500** or email

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## **Supporting Planning Statement**

for

# the Erection of a Dwellinghouse on land adjacent to Middlebank, Waterloo, Bankfoot

for

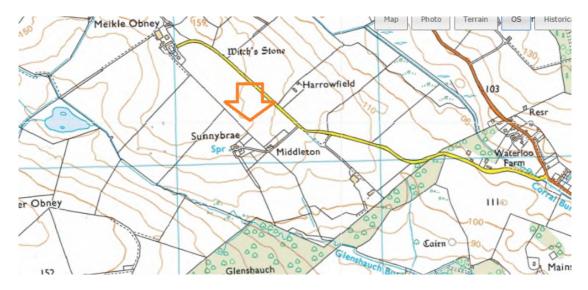
#### Mr and Mrs Mike Guild



John Culbert Chartered Town Planner 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017

#### The Site and Location

The site about two miles due north west of Bankfoot within the Meikle Obney area and comprises the stone remains of the former Middleton Farmhouse and outbuildings. Access is via the Meikle Obney unclassified road turning off at Waterloo village from the A class Bankfoot to Dunkeld Public Road.



The site area extends to about 0.25ha and comprises a small maintained lawn area to one end and the downtakings from the former buildings within the other half of the site where a group of trees combined with a significant drop in level on the east boundary forming a distinctive landscape feature. The site itself is closely associated with a small building group comprising the bungalow known as 'Middleton' immediately adjacent to the site and its neighbour immediately to the west known as 'Sunnybrae', a farmhouse with separate stone built steading.

The former remains of the original Middleton farmhouse which are very much in evidence on site can be authenticated directly from the historical map below.



Source: Historical OS Map 1843-1882

#### **Pre-application Enquiry**

A Pre-application enquiry was submitted to the Council in May 2016 and a response was received from Mr David Niven who was unsupportive of our initial proposal which was based on a basic outline sketch proposal; he appeared to be unconvinced on the boundary definition and appeared to class the site as 'Greenfield' as opposed to what is clearly a 'Brownfield' opportunity. However, he did stress that his initial comments were purely desk base and he had not had the opportunity of visiting the site to be better able to more fully assess the context and the surroundings.

#### The Proposal

The applicant seeks to develop the site for a one and a half storey 3 bedroomed dwellinghouse of traditional form and using a combination of natural stone facing and wet dash render with a roof clad with natural slate.





The design details and selection of external finishes was partly modelled on the nearby house to the north east of the site known as 'Harrowfield' which sits very comfortably in its rural setting as evident in the photo below.



#### National policy and Guidance

The Scottish Government expresses its planning policies through The National Planning Framework 1 & 2, the Scottish Planning Policy (SPP), Planning Advice Notes (PAN), Designing Places, Designing Streets, and a series of Circulars.

#### **Development Plan**

The Development Plan for the area comprises the TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012-2032 and the Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014.

#### TAYplan Strategic Development Plan 2012 – 2032 - Approved June 2012

Whilst there are no specific policies or strategies directly relevant to this proposal the overall vision of the Tay Plan should be noted. The vision states "By 2032 the TAYplan region will be sustainable, more attractive, competitive and vibrant without creating an unacceptable burden on our planet. The quality of life will make it a place of first choice, where more people choose to live, work and visit and where businesses choose to invest and create jobs."

#### Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan 2014 – Adopted February 2014

The Local Development Plan was adopted by Perth and Kinross Council on 3 February 2014. It is the most recent statement of Council policy and is augmented by Supplementary Guidance.

The principal policies are, in summary:

#### **RD3:** Housing in the Countryside

The development of single houses or groups of houses which fall within the six identified categories will be supported. This policy does not apply in the Green Belt and is limited within the Lunan Valley Catchment Area.

It is also an essential general requirement of the RD3 that all new developments should take place within a clearly defined site with natural containment and a good landscape framework.

#### **PM1A Placemaking**

Development must contribute positively to the quality of the surrounding built and natural environment, respecting the character and amenity of the place.

Development must contribute positively to the quality of the surrounding built and natural environment, respecting the character and amenity of the place. All development should be planned and designed with reference to climate change mitigation and adaption.

#### **PM1B Placemaking**

All proposals should meet all eight of the placemaking criteria as follows:

- (a) Create a sense of identity by developing a coherent structure of streets, spaces, and buildings, safely accessible from its surroundings.
- (b) Consider and respect site topography and any surrounding important landmarks, views or skylines, as well as the wider landscape character of the area.
- (c) The design and density should complement its surroundings in terms of appearance, height, scale, massing, materials, finishes and colours.
- (d) Respect an existing building line where appropriate, or establish one where none exists. Access, uses, and orientation of principal elevations should reinforce the street or open space.
- (e) All buildings, streets, and spaces (including green spaces) should create safe, accessible, inclusive places for people, which are easily navigable, particularly on foot, bicycle and public transport.
- (f) Buildings and spaces should be designed with future adaptability in mind wherever possible.
- (g) Existing buildings, structures and natural features that contribute to the local townscape should be retained and sensitively integrated into proposals.
- (h) Incorporate green infrastructure into new developments and make connections where possible to green networks.

#### Policy Appraisal.

The site lies within the landward area within the adopted Local Development Plan 2014, the most relevant policy guidance is comprised in *Policy RD3: 'Housing in the Countryside'* and its associated SPG 2012 on Housing in the Countryside, which is the most recent expression of Council policy towards new housing in the open countryside. The 2012 guide identifies various categories of development opportunity under Sections 1-6. In this case two sections would appear to be particularly relevant as follows:

.In summary, under Section 1 'Building groups', the policy encourages the extension of existing building groups into well defined sites. It is also an essential general requirement of the policy that all new developments should take place within a clearly

defined site with natural containment and a good landscape framework. In addition, under Section 6 'Rural Brownfield land' the policy identifies opportunities for new development on sites formerly occupied by buildings where it would either remove dereliction or could be judged as resulting in a positive environmental improvement.

The proposed site is situated within the context of a small building group as defined in the policy as constituting at least **three** significant buildings, not necessarily houses but at least of cottage size. Immediately adjacent to the proposed plot is a single storey house known as 'Middleton' and immediately beyond that is the farmhouse known as 'Sunnybrae' with a significant steading building to its rear, thereby qualifying under the policy as a building group. The proposed site forms a logical extension to this small building group, being well contained within established boundaries and benefits from a group of semi mature trees and a physical change in level (a containing topographical feature) at its far end which would act as a physical stop or buffer to any further development beyond as illustrated in the photo below.



Development would also be appropriate in terms of the existing building pattern and would not detract from the amenity of the other houses in the group. Understandably, the planner in his initial desk based assessment was not immediately aware of the physical attributes of the site and the fact that characteristics of the group are very typical of other rural groups within the surrounding area. It would certainly appear that the proposal would be very much in line with the objectives and requirements of Section 1.

In terms of Section 6 where it relates to 'Rural Brownfield land', the proposed site originally comprised the site of the former 'Middleton Farmhouse' and its associated outbuildings as evidenced in the copy of the historical map dating back to 1882 and would certainly qualify under this section of the policy. The stone remains of these buildings are still very much in evidence on site where they collectively present an appearance of significant dereliction all to the detriment of the visual and residential amenity of neighbours. The policy simply requires a site to have been formerly occupied by buildings and two alternative requirements of either (a) removing

dereliction or (b) constituting an environmental improvement. The historical map provides firm evidence of former buildings and the evidence on site of the ruinous remains certainly constitutes dereliction detrimental to visual amenity. The site is identifiable as a potential building plot and there is no other alternative feasible use for the ground. The policy also allows up to five houses on rural brownfield sites, but in this case the applicant is only seeking consent for a single house. A further requirement is the landscaping/remedial works for the site which in this case, includes the retention of existing trees and the lying out of the garden to include a pond feature and further tree planting. The tidying up and redevelopment of this site would certainly result in a local environmental improvement as additionally required under the policy and the proposal would appear to more than satisfy all the essential qualifying policy criteria.





The planning officer in his response to the pre-application enquiry under 'rural brownfield land' appeared to expect evidence of a recognisable ruinous building on site, rather than the lower expectation of the policy which simply requires the site to have been formerly occupied by buildings. The proposed house is on the site of the former Middleton farmhouse and steading as evidenced on historical maps and I

would again stress that the stone downtakings are still very much in evidence on site as illustrated in the photos above. Clearly, all these positive aspects will be self evident to the planning officer when he has the opportunity of visiting the site.

A further more general requirement of the policy which requires sites to be clearly defined with natural containment and a good landscape framework. In the case this site, it is contained by an existing house curtilage, a road, belt of trees and a change in level which is a well established landscape feature and with post and wire fencing on the remaining rear boundary providing complete physical enclosure. I would also point out that there are plenty of precedents where post and wire fences have been accepted as a means of enclosure, subject to new boundary landscaping and in this regard, I would refer to applications 14/01424/IPL and 14/01425/IPL; both these applications involved sites where the rear boundaries comprised post and wire It is more important that the site is 'identifiable' with a good setting and provides a good 'landscape fit' for the intended new development so that it will blend The aerial photograph above clearly illustrates the in with local surroundings. physical and topographical features, including the boundary fencing which all combine to create what is a completely contained site, fully in line with the general policy requirements.

The Council's Placemaking policies PM1A and PM1B seek compatibility with the surroundings and local character in the context of any proposed development, the characteristics of site and likely impacts on both visual and residential amenity. Clearly, the applicant's intention is to build a modest one and a half storey house of simple rural proportions in a traditional form and respectful of the local vernacular and finished in a palatte comprising wet dash, stone, timber and natural slate appropriate to its context and setting.



In regard to amenity considerations, as already outlined above, the site is set well back from any main 'A' class public roads and any visual impact would be minimal and

very localised. In addition, the proposed house would not impinge on the amenity of its neighbours through proximity or overlooking and does not raise any residential amenity issues. I am satisfied that the proposed development would not present any conflict with the placemaking policies PM1A and PM1B as there would be no adverse impacts on local character and the proposed development would be respectful of the surroundings raising no visual or residential amenity issues.

#### **Developer Contributions**

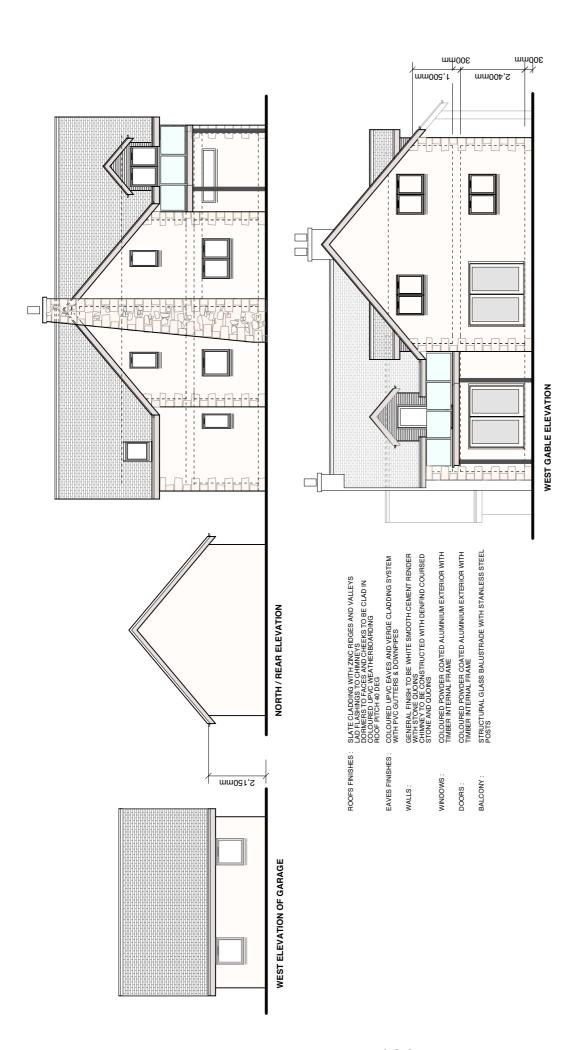
In terms of the approved Developer Contributions 2012 document, financial contributions are presently being sought for new housing within the school catchment of areas operating at over 80% capacity. The Bankfoot local primary school is not currently operating at over its 80% capacity, and to this end there would not at this time be a requirement for any educational contribution.

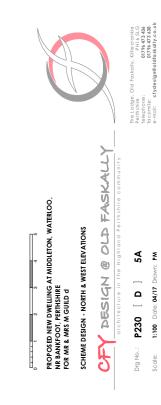
In terms of the Supplementary Guidance relating to 'Transport Infrastructure' approved in April 2014, the site lies within a PTF Full Contribution Area.

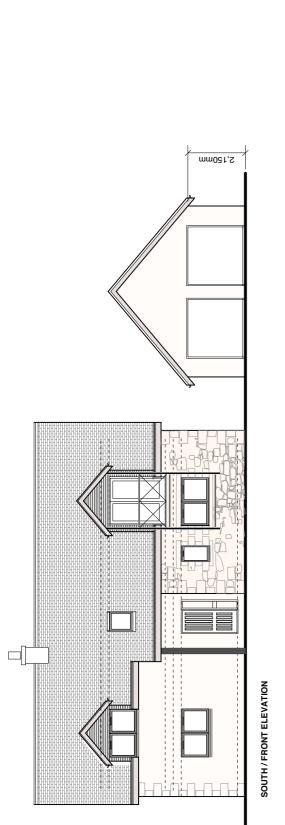
The applicant would be happy to enter into a Section 75 Agreement on the basis of a phased payment arrangement in this regard.

#### Conclusion

It would certainly appear that the proposal is fully compliant with the SPG 2012 relating to 'Housing in the Countryside' in particular regard to 'building groups' and 'rural brownfield land'. The obvious suitability of the site itself as being a clearly defined site in regard to landscape fit, fulfilling general policy siting requirements. In addition, the proposal respects the local vernacular character in regard to design and external finishes together with additional landscaping; the applicant would be happy to accept any necessary planning conditions in this regard. It is our view that development would blend in with the surroundings and would not raise any visual or residential amenity issues all compliant with the Placemaking policies PM1A and PM1B, where relevant to rural houses in the countryside.







SLATE CLADDING WITH ZINC RIDGES AND VALLEYS
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CADURIED UPIC WEATHERBOARDING
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COLOURED UPVC EAVES AND VERGE CLADDING SYSTEM WITH PVC GUTTERS & DOWNPIPES EAVES FINISHES:

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COLOURED POWDER COATED ALUMINIUM EXTERIOR WITH TIMBER INTERNAL FRAME WINDOWS:

STRUCTURAL GLASS BALUSTRADE WITH STAINLESS STEEL POSTS COLOURED POWDER COATED ALUMINIUM EXTERIOR WITH TIMBER INTERNAL FRAME DOORS :

BALCONY

EAST GABLE ELEVATION

300mm

300mm 2,400mm

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PROPOSED NEW DWELLING AT MIDDLETON, WATERLOO, NR BANKFOOT, PERTHSHIRE FOR MR & MRS M GUILD

SCHEME DESIGN - SOUTH & EAST ELEVATIONS





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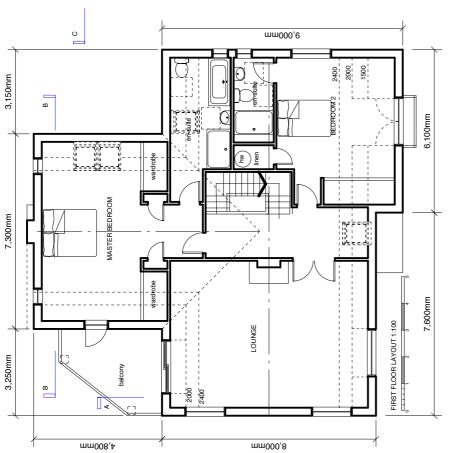
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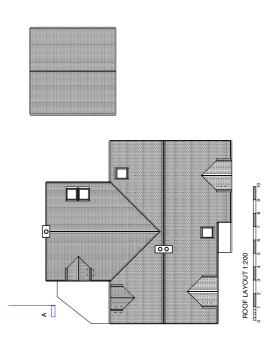
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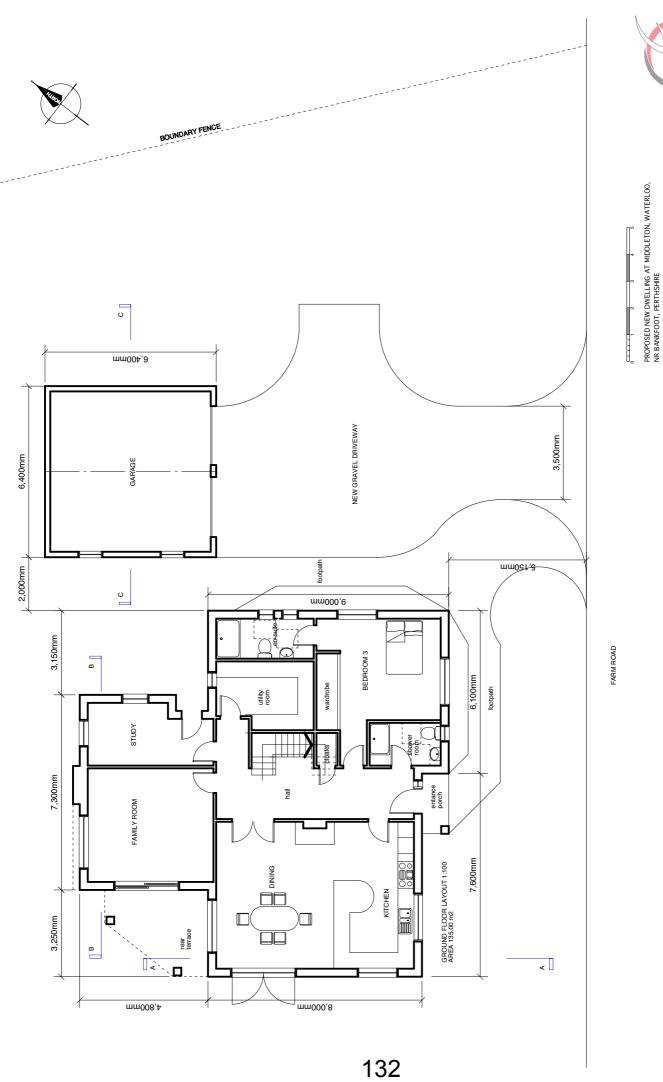
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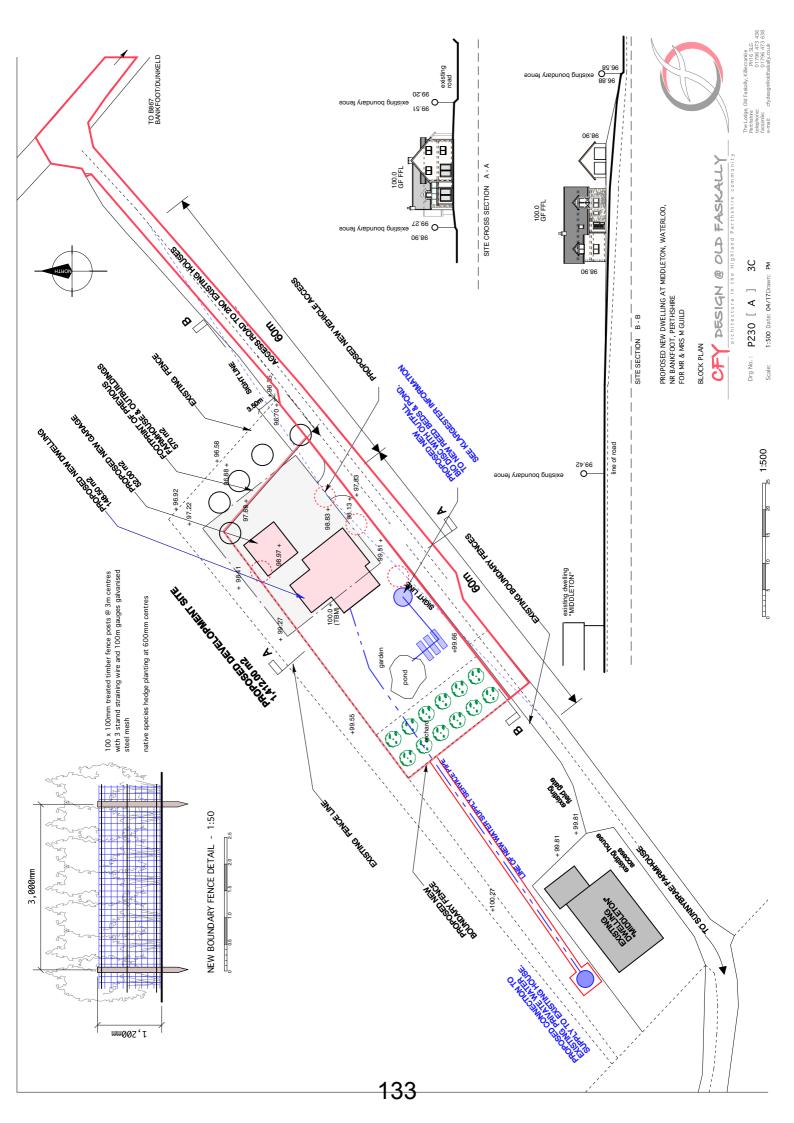
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DESIGN @ OLD FASKALLY PROPOSED NEW DWELLING AT MIDDLETON, WATERLOO, NR BANKFOOT, PERTHSHRE FOR MR & MRS M GUILD SCHEME DESIGN - GROUND FLOOR LAYOUT

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TCP/11/16(505) – 17/01299/FLL – Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage on land 70 metres north east of Middlebank, Waterloo, Bankfoot, Perth

## **REPRESENTATIONS**

# Memorandum

To Development Quality Manager From Regulatory Service Manager

Your ref 17/01299/FLL Our ref ALS

Date 11/08/2017 Tel No

The Environment Service Pullar House, 35 Kinnoull Street, Perth PH1 5GD

#### **Consultation on an Application for Planning Permission**

RE: Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage Land 70 Metres North East Of Middleton Waterloo Bankfoot for Mr Mike Guild

I refer to your letter dated 08/08/2017 in connection with the above application and have the following comments to make.

Water (assessment date – 11/08/17)

#### Recommendation

I have no objections to the application but recommend the undernoted condition and informatives be included in any given consent.

#### Comments

The development is for a dwelling house in a rural area with private water supplies (including Meikle Obney supply) believed to serve properties in the vicinity. To ensure the new development has an adequate and consistently wholesome supply of water please note the following condition and informative/s. No public objections relating to the water supply were noted at the date above.

#### PWS - Informative 2

The applicant shall ensure the private water supply for the house/ development complies with the Water Scotland Act 1980 (Section 63) and the Private Water Supplies (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Detailed information regarding the private water supply, including the nature, location and adequacy of the source, any storage tanks/ pipework and the filtration and disinfection treatment proposed to ensure provision of an adequate and consistently wholesome water supply shall be submitted to Perth and Kinross Council Environmental Health in line with the above act and regulations.



## **Comments to the Development Quality Manager on a Planning Application**

Planning	17/01299/FLL	Comments	Tony Maric	
Application ref.		provided by	Transport Planning Officer	
Service/Section	Transport Planning	Contact		
		Details		
Description of	Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage			
Proposal				
Address of site	Land 70 Metres North East Of Middleton			
	Waterloo			
	Bankfoot			
Comments on the proposal	Insofar as the roads matters are concerned, I do not object to this proposal.			
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Recommended planning				
condition(s)				
Recommended				
informative(s) for				
applicant				
Date comments	10.4 - 1 2017			
returned	18 August 2017			

## **Comments for Planning Application 17/01299/FLL**

#### **Application Summary**

Application Number: 17/01299/FLL

Address: Land 70 Metres North East Of Middleton Waterloo Bankfoot

Proposal: Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage

Case Officer: Sean Panton

#### **Customer Details**

Name: Mrs ANGELA SCOTT

Address: Market Chambers, Caledonian Road, Perth PH1 5NJ

#### **Comment Details**

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

**Comment Reasons:** 

- Adverse Affect on Visual Amenity
- Contrary to Development Plan Policy
- Inappropriate Land Use
- Road Safety Concerns

Comment:Comment of objection from Wyllie and Henderson, Solicitors on behalf of J. A. H. Chalmers, Esq, heritable proprietor of adjacent farm and lands of Meikle Obney, Waterloo, Bankfoot PH1 4AS, registered in the Land Register of Scotland under PTH43321.

Our client objects to this planning application on the following grounds:-

- 1. Our client was not notified of this planning application despite the fact that the subjects to which the application relates is situated in the middle of our client's property.
- 2. Our client is concerned about the adverse impact of the increased burden of usage of the water supply and drainage serving the development.
- 3. Our client is concerned about the adverse impact of the increased burden of usage of the access road to the development.
- 4. The footprint of the previous farmhouse and outbuildings does not accord with our client's understanding of the footprint of the former farm buildings. Our client believes the farmhouse was located on his property, to the south east of the proposed development.
- 5. It is our client's understanding that this is a Greenfield site and therefore should not be developed for residential purposes.

6. Our client understands that the existing house on the site was built there as a replacement for the former farmhouse and steading, on condition that no further development of housing would be permitted on the site.					

## Comments to the Development Quality Manager on a Planning Application

Planning	17/01299/FLL	Comments	Euan McLaughlin		
Application ref.		provided by			
Service/Section	Strategy & Policy	Contact Details	Development Negotiations Officer: Euan McLaughlin		
Description of Proposal	Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage				
Address of site	Land 70 Metres North East Of Middleton, Waterloo, Bankfoot				
Comments on the proposal	NB: Should the planning application be successful and such permission not be implemented within the time scale allowed and the applicant subsequently requests to renew the original permission a reassessment may be carried out in relation to the Council's policies and mitigation rates pertaining at the time.				
	THE FOLLOWING REPORT, SHOULD THE APPLICATION BE SUCCESSFUL IN GAINING PLANNING APPROVAL, MAY FORM THE BASIS OF A SECTION 75 PLANNING AGREEMENT WHICH MUST BE AGREED AND SIGNED PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL ISSUING A PLANNING CONSENT NOTICE.				
	Primary Education				
	With reference to the above planning application the Council Developer Contributions Supplementary Guidance requires a financial contribution towards increased primary school capacity in areas where a primary school capacity constraint has been identified. A capacity constraint is defined as where a primary school is operating, or likely to be operating following completion of the proposed development and extant planning permissions, at or above 80% of total capacity.				
	This proposal is within the catchment of Auchtergaven Primary School.				
	Education & Children's Services have no capacity concerns in this catchment area at this time.  Transport Infrastructure				
	With reference to the above planning application the Council Transport Infrastructure Developer Contributions Supplementary Guidance requires a financial contribution towards the cost of delivering the transport infrastructure improvements which are required for the release of all development sites in and around Perth.				
	The site is within the reduced Transport Infrastructure contributions area.				
Recommended	Summary of Requirements				
planning condition(s)	Education: £0				

Transport Infrastructure: £2,639 (1 x £2,639)

**Total**: £2,639

#### **Phasing**

It is advised that payment of the contribution should be made up front of release of planning permission. The additional costs to the applicants and time for processing legal agreements for single dwelling applications is not considered to be cost effective to either the Council or applicant.

The contribution may be secured by way of a Section 75 Agreement. Please be aware the applicant is liable for the Council's legal expense in addition to their own legal agreement option and the process may take months to complete.

If a Section 75 Agreement is entered into the full contribution should be received 10 days after occupation.

# Recommended informative(s) for applicant

#### **Payment**

Before remitting funds the applicant should satisfy themselves that the payment of the Development Contributions is the only outstanding matter relating to the issuing of the Planning Decision Notice.

#### **Methods of Payment**

On no account should cash be remitted.

#### Scheduled within a legal agreement

This will normally take the course of a Section 75 Agreement where either there is a requirement for Affordable Housing on site which will necessitate a Section 75 Agreement being put in place and into which a Development Contribution payment schedule can be incorporated, and/or the amount of Development Contribution is such that an upfront payment may be considered prohibitive. The signed Agreement must be in place prior to the issuing of the Planning Decision Notice.

**NB:** The applicant is cautioned that the costs of preparing a Section 75 agreement from the applicant's own Legal Agents may in some instances be in excess of the total amount of contributions required. As well as their own legal agents fees, Applicants will be liable for payment of the Council's legal fees and outlays in connection with the preparation of the Section 75 Agreement. The applicant is therefore encouraged to contact their own Legal Agent who will liaise with the Council's Legal Service to advise on this issue.

#### Other methods of payment

Providing that there is no requirement to enter into a Section 75 Legal Agreement, eg: for the provision of Affordable Housing on or off site and or other Planning matters, as advised by the Planning Service the developer/applicant may opt to contribute the full amount prior to the release of the Planning Decision Notice.

#### Remittance by Cheque

The Planning Officer will be informed that payment has been made when a cheque is received. However this may require a period of 14 days from date of receipt before the Planning Officer will be informed that the Planning Decision Notice may be issued.

Cheques should be addressed to 'Perth and Kinross Council' and forwarded with a covering letter to the following:

Perth and Kinross Council

Pullar House

35 Kinnoull Street

Perth

PH15GD

#### **Bank Transfers**

All Bank Transfers should use the following account details;

**Sort Code:** 834700

**Account Number: 11571138** 

Please quote the planning application reference.

#### **Direct Debit**

The Council operate an electronic direct debit system whereby payments may be made over the phone.

To make such a payment please call 01738 475300 in the first instance. When calling please remember to have to hand:

- a) Your card details.
- b) Whether it is a Debit or Credit card.
- c) The full amount due.
- d) The planning application to which the payment relates.
- e) If you are the applicant or paying on behalf of the applicant.
- f) Your e-mail address so that a receipt may be issued directly.

#### Transport Infrastructure

For Transport infrastructure contributions please quote the following ledger code:

1-30-0060-0003-859136

#### Indexation

All contributions agreed through a Section 75 Legal Agreement will be linked to the RICS Building Cost Information Service building Index.

#### **Accounting Procedures**

Contributions from individual sites will be accountable through separate accounts and a public record will be kept to identify how each contribution is spent. Contributions will be recorded by the applicant's name, the site address and planning application reference number to ensure the individual commuted sums can be accounted for.

## Date comments returned

25 September 2017

#### **CHX Planning Local Review Body - Generic Email Account**

From: Angela L. Scott

**Sent:** 19 December 2017 12:54

To: CHX Planning Local Review Body - Generic Email Account

**Subject:** RE Review of Planning Application Ref 17/011299/FLL - Waterloo, Bankfoot

**Importance:** High

Dear Sirs,

We act on behalf of J.A.H.Chalmers and we submitted representations on behalf of our client in respect of Mr M Guild's application for planning permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Waterloo, Bankfoot.

We should be obliged if you would ensure that our client's original representations are considered in your review of the decision and on behalf of our client we wish to add a further representation for consideration, namely:

It is understood that the planning application includes a proposal to create a bellmouth for a new access to the proposed new dwellinghouse at a point along the access road, other than the current access which serves the existing dwellinghouse.

Our client objects to the formation of a second access point from the road and to the creation of a bellmouth, which he believes would have an adverse impact on the visual and scenic qualities of the landscape.

We should be most obliged if you would acknowledge receipt of this further representation and please confirm it will be taken into consideration in your review decision.

Thank you.

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Angela Scott BA(Hons) LLB Dip LP NP WS

Partner



Partners: Ian K Lindsay & Angela L Scott

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