

Ardentinny Proposed Housing Development Working Group

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Dear Ms. Worthy,

National Park's Consultative Draft Local Plan 2008 (Section/Policy: 3.5 Housing/HOUS1, Pages 22,95, Schedule. 1: Ardentinnny Housing Development).

After reading your response to my letter of the 25th February members of the Ardentinnny Proposed Housing Development Working Group feel strongly that you have failed to take proper cognizance of both the provenance and purpose of my letter.

In terms of provenance, the formation of this Working Group at a well-attended public meeting held in Ardentinnny Village Hall was the direct result of the sheer consternation, felt and voiced, by Ardentinnny residents at the National Park's proposal to build 36 houses in this small village. With the exception of one abstention, residents voted wholeheartedly against this proposal. As a result, this Working Group was democratically appointed to represent Ardentinnny residents in their opposition to your proposal.

In terms of purpose, my subsequent letter to you was not written in response to the National Park's general consultation process, as your letter suggests, but specifically to draw your attention to the grave concern felt by Ardentinnny residents who wholeheartedly object to the development proposal to build 36 houses in Ardentinnny as laid out in the National Park's Consultative Draft Local Plan 2008 (Section/Policy: 3.5 Housing/HOUS1, Pages 22,95, Schedule. 1: Ardentinnny Housing Development).

In addition, I raised specific questions about your engagement over this proposal with partner agencies such as SEPA, Scottish Water and Local Authorities in respect of the above specific housing development proposal. To reiterate, have any of these agencies actually been consulted about your specific proposal to build 36 houses on your designated site in Ardentinnny and, if so, were they subject to the same time constraints place by you upon Ardentinnny residents during the consultation process? Also, under the Freedom of Information Act, can you please let us know what response have you received from the agencies you have consulted about this specific proposal?

Finally, it is now seven weeks since you received individual responses to the National Park's Consultative Draft Local Plan 2008 and, although a small number of residents have received a response from you, the majority have not. In addition to answering my specific questions above, would you now at least give me some indication as to when we might expect your analysis of the responses you received, together with some idea of the tenor and volume of response you have received from Ardentinnny residents.

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Yours sincerely,

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