

Legal and Democratic Services

Findhorn and Kinloss Community Council

The Moray Council

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Committee Services Officer

Clerk to the MLRB

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Dear Sir,

As a Community Council we welcomed the 'Moray Local Development Plan' when it was issued in October 2015 and noted the maintenance of the ENV 6 Green corridor, trees at village entrance, and the assurance in the Findhorn settlement statement which seeks to ensure that any new development does not compromise the specific features of the village, namely its open spaces and woodlands. ENV6, being an 'OpenSpace' should be safeguarded by Policy E5 which states that 'Development which would cause the loss of, or adversely impact on areas identified under the ENV designation in settlement statements will be refused unless the proposal is for a public use that clearly outweighs the value of the open space

The Community Council considered Planning Application 15/02023/PPP at the November 2015 meeting and objected to the application on the grounds that the site was in an area designated ENV6 and that Policy E5 would apply. It was felt that E5 presumes against any domestic development in an area designated ENV6.

This Council believes that its original objection is based on contravention of Policy E5 is still valid and that the original concept that established this area as ENV6 as a woodland/open space at the approach to the village is the justification for this designation and its protection under Policy E5..

Findhorn & Kinloss Community Council.