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Thank you for completing this application form:

ONLINE REFERENCE 100540448-001

The online reference is the unique reference for your online form only. The Planning Authority will allocate an Application Number when your form is validated. Please quote this reference if you need to contact the planning Authority about this application.

# **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 removal 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)

Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Jubilee Terrace, Findochty, Buckie

Is this a temporary permission? *	Yes X 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

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Agent Details			
Please enter Agent details			
Company/Organisation: Grant and Geoghegan Ltd.			
Ref. Number:		You must enter a Bi	uilding Name or Number, or both: *
			-
First Name: *	Neil	Building Name:	Grant Lodge
Last Name: *	Grant	Building Number:	
Telephone Number: *	07769744332	Address 1 (Street): *	Birnie
Extension Number:		Address 2:	
Mobile Number:		Town/City: *	ELGIN
Fax Number:		Country: *	Scotland
		Postcode: *	IV30 8SW
Email Address: *	neil@ggmail.co.uk		
🛛 Individual 🗌 Orga	ual or an organisation/corporate entity? *		
Applicant Det			
Please enter Applicant de	Mr		
Title:		You must enter a Building Name or Number, or both: *	
Other Title:		Building Name:	per grant and geoghegan
First Name: *	John	Building Number:	
Last Name: *	Gardiner	Address 1 (Street): *	Grant Lodge
Company/Organisation		Address 2:	Birnie
Telephone Number: *		Town/City: *	ELGIN
Extension Number:		Country: *	Scotland
Mobile Number:		Postcode: *	IV30 8SW
Fax Number:			
Email Address: *	neil@ggmail.co.uk		

Site Address Details					
Planning Authority:	Moray Council				
Full postal address of the	site (including postcode	where availab	le):		
Address 1:					
Address 2:					
Address 3:					
Address 4:					
Address 5:					
Town/City/Settlement:					
Post Code:					
Please identify/describe th	e location of the site or	sites			
Ground at Jubilee Terra	Ground at Jubilee Terrace, Findochty				
Northing 8	367982		Easting	345954	
Pre-Application	on Discussio	n			
Have you discussed your	proposal with the plann	ing authority? *	*	Ye	es 🛛 No
Site Area					
Please state the site area:		113.12			
Please state the measure	ment type used:	Hectares	(ha) X Square Metres	(sq.m)	
Existing Use					
Please describe the curren	nt or most recent use: *	(Max 500 cha	iracters)		
Amenity land					
Access and Parking					
Are you proposing a new altered vehicle access to or from a public road? * If Yes please describe and show on your drawings the position of any existing. Altered or new access points, highlighting the changes					
you propose to make. You should also show existing footpaths and note if there will be any impact on these.					

Are you proposing any change to public paths, public rights of way or affecting any public right of acces	ss? *	Yes X No
If Yes please show on your drawings the position of any affected areas highlighting the changes you pr arrangements for continuing or alternative public access.	ropose to	make, including
How many vehicle parking spaces (garaging and open parking) currently exist on the application Site?	0	
How many vehicle parking spaces (garaging and open parking) do you propose on the site (i.e. the Total of existing and any new spaces or a reduced number of spaces)? *	0	
Please show on your drawings the position of existing and proposed parking spaces and identify if thes types of vehicles (e.g. parking for disabled people, coaches, HGV vehicles, cycles spaces).	se are for	the use of particular
Water Supply and Drainage Arrangements		
Will your proposal require new or altered water supply or drainage arrangements? *		Yes X No
Do your proposals make provision for sustainable drainage of surface water?? * (e.g. SUDS arrangements) *		Yes X 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? *    Yes   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 of	f site).
Assessment of Flood Risk		
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 determined. You may wish to contact your Planning Authority or SEPA for advice on what information r		
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? *		🗌 Yes 🛛 No
If Yes, please mark on your drawings any trees, known protected trees and their canopy spread close t any are to be cut back or felled.	to the pro	pposal site and indicate if
Waste Storage and Collection		
Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste (including recycling)? *		Yes X No

If Yes or No, please provide further details: * (Max 500 characters)	
Existing	
Residential Units Including Conversion	
Does your proposal include new or additional houses and/or flats? *	□ Yes ⊠ No
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 develo 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 X No
Certificates and Notices	
CERTIFICATE AND NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 15 – TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPME PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATION 2013	ENT MANAGEMENT
One Certificate must be completed and submitted along with the application form. This is most usually Certificate Certificate B, Certificate C or Certificate E.	ate A, Form 1,
Are you/the applicant the sole owner of ALL the land? *	X Yes 🗌 No
Is any of the land part of an agricultural holding? *	Yes X No
Certificate Required	
The following Land Ownership Certificate is required to complete this section of the proposal:	

Certificate A

Land Ownership Certificate
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Certificate and Notice under Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013

Certificate A

I hereby certify that -

(1) - No person other than myself/the applicant was an owner (Any person who, in respect of any part of the land, is the owner or is the lessee under a lease thereof of which not less than 7 years remain unexpired.) of any part of the land to which the application relates at the beginning of the period of 21 days ending with the date of the accompanying application.

(2) - None of the land to which the application relates constitutes or forms part of an agricultural holding

Signed: Neil Grant

On behalf of: Mr John Gardiner

Date: 03/03/2022

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 X 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 IN 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 X 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

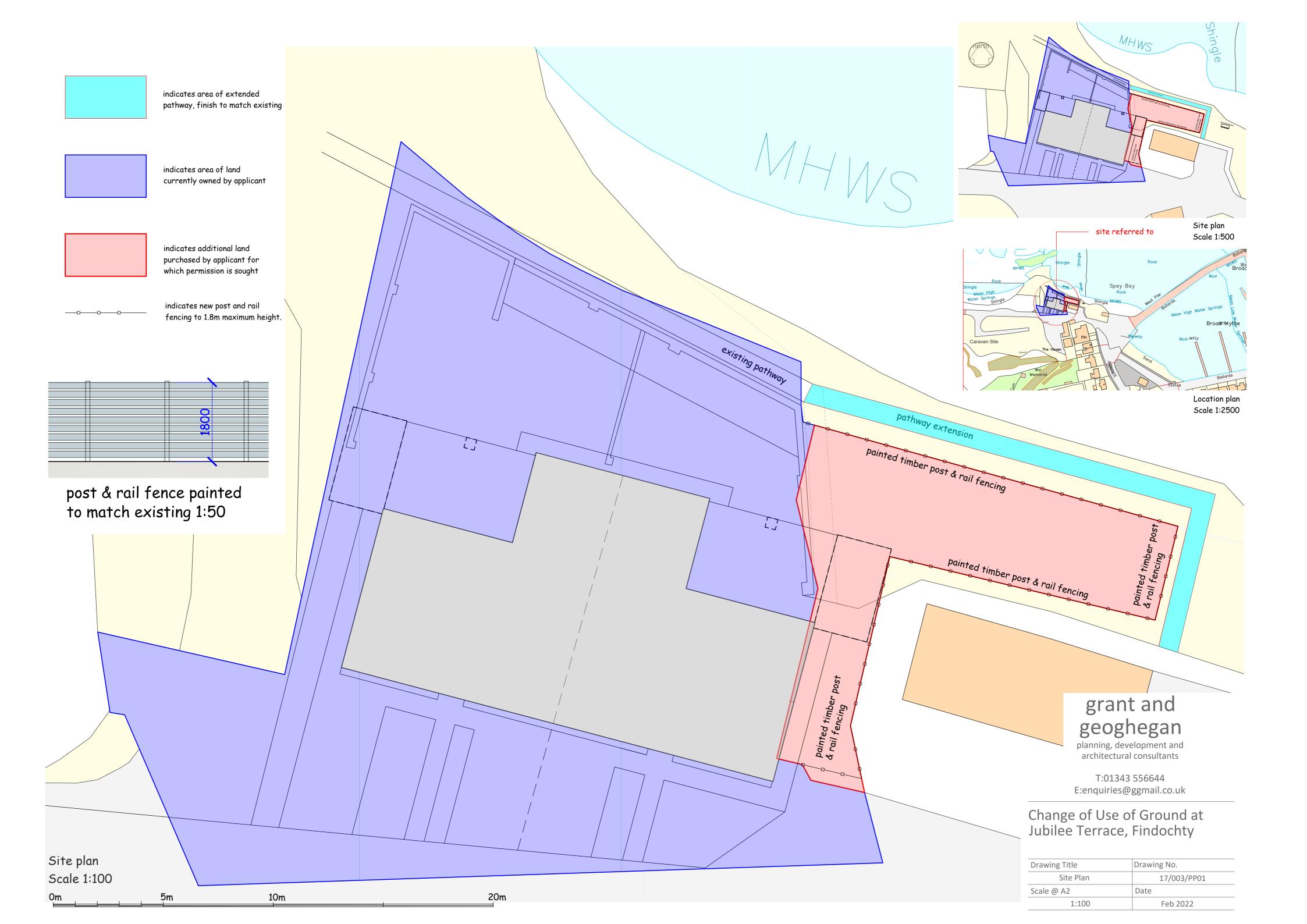
e) If this is an application for planning permission and relates to development belonging to the category of local developments (subject to regulation 13. (2) and (3) of the Development Management Procedure (Scotland) Regulations 2013) have you provided a Design Statement? \*

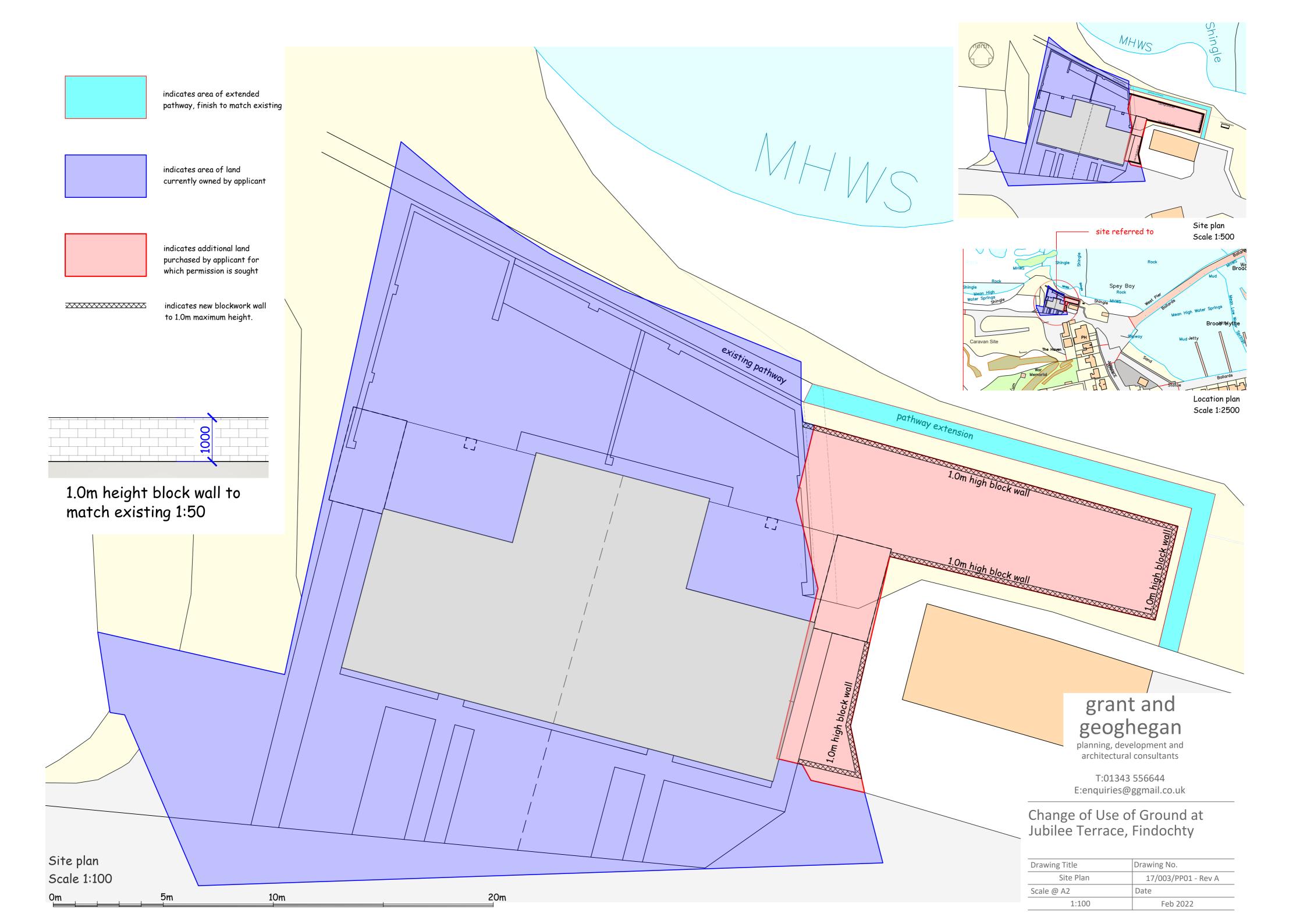
Yes No X Not applicable to this application

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 🛛 Not applicable to this application

	planning permission, planning or mineral development, have			
Site Layout Plan or Bloc	k plan.			
Elevations.				
Floor plans.				
Cross sections.				
Roof plan.				
Master Plan/Framework	Plan.			
Landscape plan.				
Photographs and/or pho	otomontages.			
Other.				
If Other, please specify: * (M	lax 500 characters)			
Provide copies of the followir	ng documents if applicable:			
A copy of an Environmental \$	Statement *			Yes X N/A
A Design Statement or Desig				
A Flood Risk Assessment. *				
	ent (including proposals for Su	ustainable Drainage Svste	ms). *	
Drainage/SUDS layout. *	(			
A Transport Assessment or 1	Fravel Plan			Yes 🛛 N/A
Contaminated Land Assessn				Yes 🛛 N/A
Habitat Survey. *				🗌 Yes 🛛 N/A
A Processing Agreement. *				🗌 Yes 🔀 N/A
Other Statements (please sp	ecify). (Max 500 characters)			
Declare – For A	pplication to Pla	anning Author	ity	
	that this is an application to the al information are provided as		scribed in this form. The a	accompanying
Declaration Name:	Mr Neil Grant			
Declaration Date:	02/03/2022			
Payment Detail	S			
Cheque: X, X				
				Created: 03/03/2022 09:53





# **Consultee Comments for Planning Application 22/00327/APP**

# **Application Summary**

Application Number: 22/00327/APP Address: Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace Findochty Buckie Moray AB56 4QA Proposal: Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Case Officer: lain T Drummond

# **Consultee Details**

Name: Mr CL Consultations Address: Environmental Health, Council Offices, High Street Elgin, Moray IV30 1BX Email: Not Available On Behalf Of: Contaminated Land

## Comments

Approved unconditionally from Adrian Muscutt (23/3/22).

# **Consultation Request Notification**

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_	Moray
	IV30 8SW
Agent Phone Number	
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Case Officer Phone number	01343 563607
Case Officer email address	iain.drummond@moray.gov.uk
PA Response To	consultation.planning@moray.gov.uk
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#### MORAY COUNCIL

#### PLANNING CONSULTATION RESPONSE

From: Estates, Central Services

#### Planning Application Ref. No: 22/00327/APP

#### Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace Findochty Buckie for Mr John Gardiner

I have the following comments to make on the application:-

(a)	I OBJECT to the application for the reason(s) as stated below	Please x □
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(d)	Further information is required in order to consider the application as set out below	

## Reason(s) for objection

## Condition(s)

#### Further comment(s) to be passed to applicant

Application is in relation to Garden Ground disposal of Council ground, currently being handled by Estates. As such, Estates have no objection to this proposal.

## Further information required to consider the application

**Contact: Cameron Queen** email address: Cameron.queen@moray.gov.uk Phone No 07922436400..... **Consultee: Estates** 

Date.....15/03/2022.....

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# MORAY COUNCIL PLANNING CONSULTATION RESPONSE From: The Moray Council, Flood Risk Management Planning Application Ref. No: 22/00327/APP

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Contact:James RossDate18/05/2022email address:James.ross@moray.gov.ukPhone NoConsultee:The Moray Council, Flood Risk Management

# Consultation Request Notification – Strategic Planning & Development

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Response Date	29th March 2022
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From: Strategic Planning & Development

Planning Application Ref. No: 22/00327/APP Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Rockside, 8 Jubilee Terrace, Findochty, Buckie for Mr John Gardiner

Ward: 03\_17 Buckie

#### DETERMINATION - DEPARTURE FROM DEVELOPMENT PLAN (For Structure/Local Plan Comment)

		Page No	Policy No(s)	Yes	No
1	Departure from Moray Local Development Plan 2020		PP3 Infrastructure and Services		Х
			DP1 Development Principles		Х
			EP3 Special Landscape Areas and Landscape Character	X	
			EP6 Settlement Boundaries	X	
			EP9 Conservation Areas		Х
2	Further Discussion Requir	ed			

# **REASONING FOR THIS DECISION:**

# Policy PP3 Infrastructure & Services

Policy PP3 seeks to ensure development is planned and co-ordinated with infrastructure to enable places to function properly and are adequately serviced.

The northern boundary of the site is defined by The Moray Coastal Trail, which includes a path that passes through the western part of the site and connecting thereon to the public toilets. The development proposes to reroute the path around the northern and eastern boundaries of the site, maintaining a pathed access from the north to the toilet block. The proposal will therefore have no detrimental impact on existing public access rights, in compliance with Policy PP3

# Policy DP1 Development Principles

Policy DP1 sets out detailed criteria to ensure that proposals meet siting, design and servicing requirements, provide sustainable drainage arrangements and avoid any adverse effects on environmental interests.

The proposal seeks to convert an area of amenity ground into garden ground. The proposal is of an appropriate scale and character to the surrounding area. To reflect the sensitivities of the proposed site, the boundaries of the site will be defined by post & rail fencing to replicate the adjacent properties. The proposal therefore complies with DP1.

# Policy EP3 Special Landscape Areas and Landscape Character

The proposed site is located wholly within Portgordon to Cullen Coast Special Landscape Area (SLA). Policy EP3 aims to protect landscapes from inappropriate development. Proposals must not prejudice the special qualities of the designated area, avoid adverse effects on the landscape and visual qualities and adopt the highest standards of design in accordance with Policy DP1 and other relevant policies.

As the majority of the proposal is outwith the settlement boundary of Findochty, the development is considered against the use criteria for rural areas as set out in Policy EP3 (i) (a). The proposal is not for any of the acceptable uses and therefore is a departure from Policy EP3.

The proposed use is however consistent with immediately adjacent properties, whose garden grounds are also outwith the settlement boundary. The development proposes to be bounded by post & rail fencing which reflects existing boundary treatments in the area. On the basis that the character of the proposal reflects the surrounding area and the development is located behind existing buildings and therefore sensitively sited and integrated into the landscape, the proposal is considered an acceptable departure from Policy EP3.

# Policy EP6 Settlement Boundaries

The proposed site is largely immediately outwith the settlement boundary of Findochty. Policy EP6 seeks to guide development to identified settlements and rural groupings, preventing ribbon development and maintaining a clear distinction between the built-up area and the countryside. As the proposed site is not a designated LONG site, the development is contrary to Policy EP6.

For the reasons set out in Policy EP3 above, the proposal is considered an acceptable departure from Policy EP6.

## Policy EP9 Conservation Area

The site is located within Findochty Conservation Area. Policy EP9 requires all development within a conservation area to preserve and enhance the established traditional character or appearance of the area.

The siting and proposed boundary treatments will not adversely affect the character and appearance of the conservation area and therefore complies with Policy EP9.

# Conclusion

The development site is largely immediately outwith the settlement boundary of Findhochty and falls wholly within the Portgordon to Cullen Coast SLA, where the proposed use is not in compliance with policy. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies EP3 and EP6.

However, the character of the proposal reflects the surrounding area which consists of a mix of amenity ground and garden ground. On the basis that the character of the proposal reflects the surrounding area and the development is located behind existing buildings and therefore sensitively sited and integrated into the landscape, the proposal is considered an acceptable departure from Policy EP3 and EP6.

The siting and proposed finishes will not adversely affect the character and appearance of Findhochty Conservation Area.

Contact: Darren Westmacott Email Address: Darren.Westm	Date: 03/05/2022 Phone No: N/A	
Consultee: Strategic Planning & Development		
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Contact: Ian M Douglas	Date15/03/2022	
email address:ian.douglas@moray.gov.uk	 Phone 7049	No

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From: Transportation Manager

#### Planning Application Ref. No: 22/00327/APP

# Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace Findochty Buckie for Mr John Gardiner

I have the following comments to make on the application:-

Please

(a)	I OBJECT to the application for the reason(s) as stated below	
(b)	I have NO OBJECTIONS to the application and have no condition(s) and/or comment(s) to make on the proposal	
(c)	I have NO OBJECTIONS to the application subject to condition(s) and/or comment(s) about the proposal as set out below	x
(d)	Further information is required in order to consider the application as set out below	

Transportation has no objections to the proposed change of use.

#### Further comment(s) to be passed to applicant

The developer should note that the site is located beyond the extents of the Public Road.

Planning consent does not carry with it the right to carry out works within the public road boundary.

Public utility apparatus may be affected by this proposal. Contact the appropriate utility service in respect of any necessary utility service alterations which have to be carried out at the expense of the developer.

No building materials/scaffolding/builder's skip shall obstruct the public road (including footpaths) without permission from the Roads Authority

Date 22 March 2022

#### Contact: AG email address: <u>transport.develop@moray.gov.uk</u> Consultee: TRANSPORTATION

Return response to consultation.planning@moray.gov.uk

Please note that information about the application including consultation responses and representations (whether in support or objection) received on the proposal will be published on the Council's website at <a href="http://public.moray.gov.uk/eplanning/">http://public.moray.gov.uk/eplanning/</a> (You can also use this site to track progress of the application and view details of any consultation responses and representations (whether in support or objection) received on the proposal). In order to comply with the Data Protection Act, personal information including signatures, personal telephone and email details will be removed prior to publication using "redaction" software to avoid (or mask) the display of such information. Where appropriate other "sensitive" information within documents will also be removed prior to publication online.

# **REPORT OF HANDLING**

Ref No:	22/00327/APP	Officer:	lain T Drummond
Proposal Description/ Address	scription/ Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace		e 8 Jubilee Terrace
Date:	23.09.2022	Typist Initials:	LMC

RECOMMENDATION	RECOMMENDATION		
Approve, without or with	condition(s) listed below	Ν	
Refuse, subject to reason	n(s) listed below	Y	
Legal Agreement required e.g. S,75		Ν	
Notification to Scottish Ministers/Historic Scotland		Ν	
Departure		N	
Hearing requirements	Pre-determination	N	

CONSULTATIONS			
Consultee	Date Returned	Summary of Response	
Strategic Planning And Development	03/05/22	Offered advice in relation to development	
		plan policy	
Moray Access Manager	15/03/22	No objections	
Contaminated Land	25/03/22	No objections	
Estates, Central Services	15/03/22	No objections	
Transportation Manager	22/03/22	No objections	
Moray Flood Risk Management	18/05/22	No objections	

DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICY			
Policies	Dep	Any Comments (or refer to Observations below)	
PP3 Infrastructure and Services	Ν		
DP1 Development Principles	Y		
EP3 Special Landscape Areas	Y		
EP6 Settlement Boundaries	Y		
EP9 Conservation Areas	Y		

REPRESENTATIONS		
Representations Received NO		NO
Total number of representations received		
Names/Addresses of parties submitting representations		
Summary and Assessment of main issues raised by representations		
Issue:		

# **OBSERVATIONS – ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSAL**

#### The Proposal

This application seeks planning permission for change of use of public open space to form private garden ground on land adjacent to Rockside, 8 Jubilee Terrace, Findochty.

The proposal also involved the erection of a 1m high block wall to enclose the garden space and provision of a footpath round the site to extend the existing informal footpath which runs through the site.

The site presently forms part of the grassy foreshore at Findochty, between the village and the beach. The applicant's house bounds the site to the west, with the public toilets to the south, remainder of open grassy area to the west and beach to the north.

The site lies within the Findochty conservation area, however, only a small proportion of the site lies within the Findochty settlement boundary (as defined by the 2020 Moray Local Development Plan (MLDP)), with the remainder lying immediately outwith the settlement. The site also lies within the Special Landscape Area again as defined by the MLDP 2020.

#### Appraisal

Section 25 of the 1997 Act as amended requires applications to be determined in accordance with the development plan i.e. the adopted Moray Local Development Plan 2020 (MLDP) unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The main planning issues are considered below:

#### Principle, siting and design (EP9, EP3, EP6 and DP1)

Policies EP9, EP3 and DP1, require all new development to preserve and enhance the established character and appearance of the conservation area, to ensure that new development does not adversely affect the quality and experience of the Special Landscape Area and ensure proposals do not result in an adverse impact on the amenity of the surrounding area.

Policy EP6 also precludes any development immediately out with the settlement boundary, with the defined settlement boundary representing the limit to which any settlement can expand during the MLDP period.

In this case the site forms part of what is a well kept area of grass foreshore, which acts as a useful amenity space and transition between the village and the beach. Whilst it is accepted that the area of grass, which is the subject of this application, is hidden from many viewpoints by the public toilet, which lies immediately to the south, from wider viewpoints this portion of grassland is visible to the east and contributes to the character and setting of the foreshore of the Findochty conservation area.

At approx. 550sqm, this existing grassed area of open space is relatively small, however, it offers an attractive and useful area of amenity space, where people could sit and have picnics on the grass whilst also enjoying the beach. The proposal would result in the loss of approx. 110sqm of this grass area and although this is a relatively small area of land, it constitutes almost one fifth of the overall grass area and as such will inevitably result in a loss of useful public open space and have a detrimental impact on this area of Findochty, which acts as an attraction for tourist and offers valuable local amenity. Although the site lies behind the public toilets, which could be considered to detract from the value of the area, the toilet building offers a good source of shelter in this instance and views from behind the toilets across the beach are valued, which is demonstrated by the presence of the existing public bench to the rear of the toilet block building.

Whilst the applicants have amended to the proposals to show a 1m high boundary wall rather than a 2m high boundary fence, enclosing the area and using it for domestic garden purposes will result in the loss of an attractive area of public open space to the detriment of this area of Findochty.

In addition to the above, the proposed site straddles the settlement boundary, with the majority of the site lying out with the settlement boundary. Policy EP6 precludes any development immediately out with the settlement boundary and in this instance, given the adverse impacts outlined above, there is not considered to be any material planning considerations which would merit departing from policy EP6.

# Conclusion

Overall for the reasons outlined above this proposed change of use is considered to have an adverse impact on the character and appearance of the conservation area in which it lies and the wider qualities of the Special Landscape Area. The proposal would also represent an unwarranted development immediately out with the settlement boundary and for these reasons the proposal, does not comply with MLDP policies EP9, EP3, EP6 and DP1.

# OTHER MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT

None

HISTORY		
Reference No.	Description	
Disposal of Council ground at Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace Finde Moray		ground at Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace Findochty Buckie
21/01372/DCG	Decision	Date Of Decision

ADVERT				
Advert Fee paid?	Yes			
Local Newspaper	Reason for Advert	Date of expiry		
Banffshire Advertiser and Herald	Planning application affecting LB/CA No Premises	11/04/22		
PINS	Planning application affecting LB/CA No Premises	11/04/22		

DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS (PGU)	
Status	None sought

## DOCUMENTS, ASSESSMENTS etc. \*

\* Includes Environmental Statement, Appropriate Assessment, Design Statement, Design and Access Statement, RIA, TA, NIA, FRA etc

Supporting information submitted with application?

NO

Summary of main issues raised in each statement/assessment/report

Document Name:

Main Issues:

S.75 AGREEMENT	
Application subject to S.75 Agreement	NO
Summary of terms of agreement:	
Location where terms or summary of terms can be inspected:	

DIRECTION(S) MADE BY SCOTTISH MINISTERS (under DMR2008 Regs)				
Section 30	Relating to EIA	NO		
Section 31	Requiring planning authority to provide information and restrict grant of planning permission	NO		
Section 32	Requiring planning authority to consider the imposition of planning conditions	NO		
Summary of Directio	n(s)			

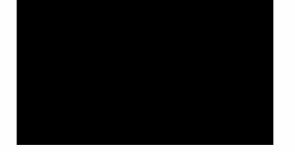


# MORAY COUNCIL TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997, as amended

**REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION** 

[Buckie] Application for Planning Permission

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With reference to your application for planning permission under the above mentioned Act, the Council in exercise of their powers under the said Act, have decided to **REFUSE** your application for the following development:-

# Change of Use of amenity land to garden ground at Rockside 8 Jubilee Terrace Findochty Buckie

and for the reason(s) set out in the attached schedule.

Date of Notice:

26 September 2022



# HEAD OF ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Economy, Environment and Finance Moray Council Council Office High Street ELGIN Moray IV30 1BX

# IMPORTANT

# YOUR ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE REASONS and NOTES BELOW

# SCHEDULE OF REASON(S) FOR REFUSAL

By this Notice, Moray Council has REFUSED this proposal. The Council's reason(s) for this decision are as follows: -

The proposal would be contrary to policies EP9, EP3, EP6 and DP1 of the Moray Local Development Plan 2020 for the following reasons:

- 1. This proposed change of use would result in the loss of a portion of distinctive grassland, which acts as an attractive transition between the built up area of the village and the beach beyond and also acts as a useful amenity area and as such its loss would have an adverse impact on the amenity, character and appearance of the conservation area in which it lies and the qualities of the wider Special Landscape Area.
- 2. The proposed site straddles the settlement boundary, with the majority of the site lying out with the settlement boundary, where policy EP6 precludes any development immediately out with the settlement boundary and in this instance, given the adverse impacts on the character and amenity of the area which would result from the development, there is not considered to be any material planning considerations which would merit departing from policy.

# LIST OF PLANS AND DRAWINGS SHOWING THE DEVELOPMENT

Reference Version	Title
17/003/PP01	Elevations site and location plan
17/003/PP01 A	Site plan

The following plans and drawings form part of the decision:-

## NOTICE OF APPEAL TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision to refuse permission for or approval required by a condition in respect of the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, the applicant may require the planning authority to review the case under section 43A of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 within three months from the date of this notice. The notice of review should be addressed to The Clerk, Moray Council Local Review Body, Legal and Committee Services, Council Offices, High Street, Elgin IV30 1BX. This form is also available and can be submitted online or downloaded from www.eplanning.scotland.gov.uk

If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, the owner of the land may serve on the planning authority a purchase notice requiring the purchase of the owner of the land's interest in the land in accordance with Part 5 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.