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Which document(s) are you commenting on?	Main Issues Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Draft Proposed Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Strategic Environmental Assessment Interim Environmental Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Your comments

I wish to object to the number of homes proposed for area GR044 at Hatton of Fintray.

a) GR044 is adjacent to an area of the village occupied by single storey or “one and a half storey” houses. Part of GR044 is the highest point in this part of the village and anything more than one storey would have a major and detrimental visual impact on the surrounding area. The original development of Hatton Court was limited in area and excluded what is now GR044 because of the visual impact on the surrounding area and the approach to the village.

b) To accommodate 32 houses on GR044 they would necessarily be one-bedroom, suitable only for single people and those without children. Since Hatton of Fintray has very limited public transport (one mid-morning bus per week to Inverurie) every house would have to have one, or more likely, two cars in order to access employment and most social activities. Parking and access to local roads would be a problem. In particular, access through Hatton Court would be a major safety issue.

c) Because much of the site GR044 rises above Hatton Court, houses in GR044 would have a considerable detrimental effect upon the privacy of several of the properties in Hatton Court.

d) The Main Issues Report (January 2021) specifies a planning objective for Hatton of Fintray “to preserve the character of the settlement” and states that “a modest level of development” is appropriate whilst the Draft Proposed Local Plan 2021 states that “The development [of GR044] should include a range of house types and sizes that respect the character of adjoining development”. Thirty two houses crammed together with some on the skyline will not be an asset to the village of Hatton of Fintray or to the Aberdeenshire countryside (the elevation of the site will prevent it from being effectively screened by the “strategic landscaping” proposed in the Draft Proposed Local Plan 2021), and will not respect the character of the adjoining development. The number should be reduced to one more realistically proposed in previous plans or the area and number restricted to the lower part of the site.