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**Your comments**

*Objections to the MIR in respect of: Sites MR 077, MR 080 & MR 014 Banchory.*

*See attached statement.*

## **LDP REVIEW 2022**

### **RESPONSE TO MAIN ISSUES REPORT**

#### **RESPONSE TO MIR IN RESPECT OF SEVERAL SITES**

##### **SITE R2 and MR077 (Upper Lochton West)**

This bid suggested the removal of the allocation of this site for a Cemetery (as the soil conditions at the site were unsuitable) and proposed the reservation of the site as an expansion of Upper Lochton OP3.

The MIR accepts that the R2 site is not now considered suitable for a cemetery, and includes the site as an option for residential development post 2027.

**We accordingly accept the results of the MIR, and support the proposed changes in zonings.**

It should perhaps be noted however, that as an addition to the MR077 Site, we suggested that the curtilage of the house at Woodfield (which already has consent for infill development) should sensibly be included within the extended allocation of OP3.

We similarly suggested that the site of the Cowshed Restaurant (which has recently been extended and which also contains significant ruined structures within its curtilage) should sensibly be added to the allocation for OP2.

**We accordingly Object to the MIR in respect of the failure to allocated the curtilages of these two properties for development.**

##### **SITE R4 and MR080 (Medical Centre)**

NBC welcome the allocation of the site at Silverbank for a Health Centre, and understands that it is being progressed by NHS Grampian, with funding being sought from Scottish Government.

However, this site is part of the larger Silverbank Playing Fields area, and a question remains regarding the future of the balance of the site. It is recalled that the Reporter at the last LDP Enquiry, suggested that improvements were required (including drainage) to ensure that the balance of the site remained fit for purpose. The finalisation of the MiR provides an opportunity to provide the community with more certainty in that regard.

### **MR014 ( Existing BUS 2 Site)**

NBC welcome the Officers Preference to accept this site as an allocation for a Retail Park with Class 1 Uses.

The site has lain vacant for many years, and in the current economic conditions, it has been difficult to attract industrial users to the site.

It is suggested that the modestly sized park proposed is appropriate for a town of Banchory's size, and the change in land use allocation will encourage co-joined trips with the adjacent Tesco Store. In addition, diversion of trips from the retail centres of other towns will have a positive impact on the Town Centre – which is currently struggling, with a higher than normal vacancy rate.