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LDP REVIEW 2022

RESPONSE TO MAIN ISSUES REPORT

RESPONSE TO MIR IN RESPECT OF BID MR 082 (Football Pitch at Lochside North)

INTRODUCTION

This bid was submitted at a time when the LDP was seeking the inclusion of a full sized football pitch on opportunity site OP1. This was in addition to the requirements for a park and ride site, and leaving scope to expand the established rugby facilities at Woodend. It is understood that the MIR now suggests that in place of a full sized football pitch, an all-weather pitch is now proposed to be included within the OP1 Site.

COMMENTS ON TEXT OF MIR

The MIR states that the site is isolated, on a country road, and improved access to the site is dependent on the new distributor road. It is desirable that sports facilities are grouped together so the pitch should continue to be included in OP1. It further states that the site is within the LNCS and impacts are currently unknown.

While several of these comments are difficult to justify, particularly now that the distributor road to service the Lochside development (and link the bid site to the housing development) is currently being installed, it is accepted that the change from a football pitch to an all-weather pitch may require an adjusted response. The latter is potentially multi-use, and could accommodate expansion of rugby as well as football.

In our response to the MIR in respect of the OP1 / MR 075 we have accordingly advised that feasibility work undertaken by NBC suggests that the all-weather pitch can be satisfactorily accommodated at Woodend, along with the other facilities which the Council wish to see there.

NBC accordingly abandon this bid to relocate football pitches at Lochside North.

Having said that, it is recognised that there may still be a requirement for additional (grass) football pitches in Banchory, and NBC are progressing further discussions in this regard with the local football clubs. If agreement is reached, such opportunities will be progressed through development management.