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## CONCERNS OVER NEW DEVELOPMENT

The detail planning application for 117 houses in the village on the land between Carr Road and Crannick Park has been applied for and plans are available in the Post Office. The council normally meets on the last Thursday of each month but because of this, the Council held an extraordinary meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> July to consider the above application. As a result we wrote to the planning Authority and The Cairngorm National Park to voice local concerns. For an application of this size and complexity we are extremely unhappy at the short timescale (14 days) allowed for us to respond adequately to it. As an elected, unpaid, voluntary committee meeting once per month and with limited professional expertise available we need more time to consider this application properly and have asked both the Council and CNPA for a meeting pointing out that council member, Mr Gavin Gerrard's letter to CNPA of 12<sup>th</sup> January, which raised 34 concerns about the development, has still not received any response. Our confidence in the builder and developer, never especially high, has plummeted due to their handling of the Ecclefechan development and the flagrant lack of concern that they have shown for planning conditions which only came to light through the efforts of the Community Council and had not been identified by either Highland Council or the National Park Authority. The new detail plans for the 117 houses show a section of 'affordable' housing as Phase One which we originally asked to be changed for the following important, strategic reasons: Due to the recent building of 'affordable' housing at the Ecclefechan there is no further housing need (results of Housing Need Survey) but there undoubtedly will be in the future. If these houses are built now they might well be filled by people from outside the area which would, arguably, create a greater need in the future which we will be unable to meet. This is the largest development we are likely to have in the foreseeable future and therefore we have no specific expectation of any future affordable houses. As Phase one is at the entrance to the entire site, the construction traffic will be passing through this development for the next 10 years creating a traffic hazard, pollution, noise and disruption for the families living there. To be socially responsible it should be the last to be completed. There is absolutely no reason that construction should be organised for the convenience of the developer. Your Council feels strongly that If we do not address these matters prior to detailed planning being given, and do not have a robust monitoring procedure in place, we fear that, from past experience, the developer will run roughshod over the community.



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