Site Forms

YOUR DETAILS		
Your Name (and organisation if applicable) Your Address / Contact		
Details	Edinburgh EH3 8EG	
Landowner's Name (if known / applicable)	Mr W Munro	
Agent (if applicable)	TPS Planning	
Agent's Address /	CBC House, 24 Canning Street,	
Contact Details (if	Edinburgh EH3 8EG	
applicable)		

DETAILS OF SITE SUGGESTED			
Site Address	Land at High Street, Invergordon		
Site/Local Name (if different from above	Identified as Site 3 in the Invergordon extract of the Ross and Cromarty East Local Plan		
Site Size (hectares)	0.18		
Grid Reference (if known)			
Proposed Use (e.g. housing, affordable housing, employment, retail, waste, gypsy traveller, utility, community, retained public open space)	The site is currently allocated for retail, community or tourism related use. Potential uses should be expanded to include other appropriate options such as town centre housing, housing for elderly or care home facilities.		

Proposed Non Housing Floorspace / Number of Housing Units (if known/ applicable)	Subject to detailed proposals.
Мар	Attached.

If you wish to suggest a site that should <u>not</u> be built on, fill in this form				
REASONS WHY YOUR SITE SHOULD BE SAFEGUARDED FROM				
BUILDING				
How do the public				
enjoy the space –				
e.g. used for dog				
walking, children's				
play?				
What makes the site				
more special than				
other areas in the				
village/town?				
Does the site have				
attractive or rare				
features such as				
mature trees,				
historical significance				
or protected wildlife?				

Landowners, developers and/or agents wishing to suggest a site should fill in the following form <u>and</u> as much as possible of the strategic environmental assessment form (at the end of this document) which assesses the environmental effects of possible development sites.

If you wish to suggest a site that should be buil	t on, fill in this form
REASONS FOR YOUR DEVELOPMENT SITI	E SUGGESTION

serviced?	It is understood that all services and drainage are available locally. Any upgrading required can be undertaken as necessary.	
FORM CONTINUES BELOW		

REASONS FOR YO	REASONS FOR YOUR DEVELOPMENT SITE SUGGESTION			
What are the site's constraints and how can they be resolved or reduced? (e.g. does the site flood, are there protected species present, will good farmland be lost, will the local landscape be affected, will valued trees be felled, are any other heritage features likely to be affected?)	Primary constraint is in identifying a viable use for the site in an edge of town centre location. No other significant constraints have been identified.			
	Improvement of a gap site through development. Consolidation of town centre area. Introduction of new use or uses serving local community.			
What impact will there be on travel patterns from the site's development? (e.g. will more or less people engage in active and healthy travel (walk / cycle) or go by public transport as a result of the site's development rather than travel by private car?)	Site is within easy walking distance of all town centre services and facilities. Bus services are available on the High Street. Limited impact on local road network. Railway station is within a a short walking distance to the north west.			
Is the site well connected? (e.g. will the average travel time to community and commercial facilities reduce or increase as a result of the site's development, is the proposed use compatible with existing / proposed surrounding uses?)	There is unlikely to be any change in accessibility, since this is an established site within the town centre and there are convenient routes for vehicles and pedestrians around the edges of the area.			
Is the site energy efficient? (e.g. will the site allow for energy efficient siting, layout, building design and local renewable energy source connection?)	Site is flat over the developable area. There are general opportunities to exploit passive solar gain, although main frontages may face north to the High Street. Consolidation of existing town centre development contributes towards sustainable settlement form, with the development easily accessible on foot, cycle and bus services.			
What other negative impacts will the development have and how will they be resolved or offset? (e.g. will the site's development increase any form of pollution or decrease public safety?)	No significant impacts beyond typical edge of town centre development – detailed layout and design can be controlled through typical planning application requirements and any relevant Supplementary Planning Guidance for the town centre.			

STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

Landowners, developers and/or agents wishing to suggest a site should fill in as much as possible of the following form. Strategic environmental assessment of local development plan sites is now a statutory requirement and considers the possible environmental effects of development proposals. We will check your answers and fill in any gaps.

No.	Issue	Detailed Explanation		Any Proposed Mitigation Measures (how will you reduce or offset the effects of your development?)
1	open space within the area?	Will the site have any impact on useable public open space (such as parks, playing fields etc) or any opportunities to create additional public open space?	Not applicable, although there may be public realm benefits arising from the development and its relationship to main town centre routes, particularly facing the High Street.	
	b) Will the site enable high quality open space to be provided within the area?			
2	and enable provision for active travel (walking, cycling and	community/commercial building? or will development provide a community/	site and the railway station is a short distance to the north west.	
3		For example, can a subsidy to a local bus route be provided?	This is unlikely. The site provides easy access to existing bus services and will improve their viability. The railway station is within a short walking distance.	

4	"off site" road	Is the site likely to improve the local road network such as junctions or crossings?	No.	
5	safety measures as part of the development of the site?	Will development incorporate on-site traffic calming measures (e.g. speed bumps) or street lighting? Will it incorporate the principles of Designing Streets available via: http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2010/03/22120652/0	None appear necessary, subject to site access and parking meeting typical Council Roads Dept requirements.	
6	existing "bad neighbour" uses?	Will the site be negatively affected by any neighbouring use? (bad neighbour uses include those that affect residential property by way of fumes, vibration, noise, artificial lighting etc). Is the site affected by any of the Physical Constraints identified in the Council's Physical Constraints: Supplementary Guidance?	No.	
7	Are there any contaminated land issues affecting the	Are you aware if the site has been previously used for industrial or any other uses likely to cause contamination?	None known but further investigation may be required due to former uses of the site.	
8	derelict, vacant or other land that has previously been used?	a) Has the site been identified in Scottish Government's Vacant and Derelict Land Survey (which can be found here: http://scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2010/01/26135819/0)or has the land got an existing use?	This is a brown field site close to the centre of the settlement.	
	greenfield land?	b) Will the site be located on presently undeveloped land e.g. presently or capably used for agriculture, forestry or amenity purposes?		

9	current settlement	Is the site within any identified settlement boundary in the Local Plan? Is it allocated for any uses?	Yes, as indicated in the Ross and Cromarty East Local Plan.
	distinctiveness and special qualities of the present landscape character or affect any landscape designation?	Does the site conform with the Landscape Capacity Assessment (if available)? Will the site result in the removal of valued landscape features or negatively affect any key views? Is it located within or would otherwise affect a National Scenic Area or Special Landscape Area, having regard to their special qualities?	No, this is an urban site.
11	areas with qualities of wildness? (that is land in its original natural state?)	Are you aware if the site is inside or likely to affect an area of Wild Land? (These areas are identified on Map 3 of SNH's Policy Statement, Wildness in Scotland's Countryside) and areas of Remote Coast identified by the Council, or an area of wildness identified in the draft Wild Land Supplementary Guidance?	No.
12	conservation area?	Is the site inside or likely to affect the character of a confirmed Conservation Area?	No.
13	any listed building	Is there a listed building or a part of the setting "area" of a listed building within the site?	No impacts envisaged or known.
	site identified in the Inventory of Gardens and Designed Landscapes?	Is any part of the site inside the outer boundary of an Inventory "entry" or will the site affect the setting of an "entry"?	No.
15	locally important	Does the site contain any features identified in the HER? If yes, will the site affect the feature?	No.

16		Is there any SAM within the site boundary or will a SAM be affected?	No impacts envisaged or known.	
17		a) Is any part of the site inside or likely to affect the designation (SAC, SPA, SSSI, NNR, Ramsar) or Local Nature Conservation Site?	No.	
	b) Will the site affect			
	any other important	b) Is any part of the site within or likely		
		to affect non-statutory features		
	heritage?	identified as being of nature		
		conservation importance e.g. Ancient,		
		Semi-Natural or Long-Established		
		Woodland Inventory sites, priority BAP habitats, habitats included on the		
		Scottish Biodiversity List, non-		
		designated habitats listed in Annex 1		
		of EC Habitats Directive?		
18	a) Will the site affect	a) Will the site affect any European	No impacts envisaged as this is an	
	any protected species?	Protected Species, Badgers and species	urban brown field site.	
		(birds, animals and plants) protected		
		under the Wildlife and Countryside Act		
		1981 as amended. If such a species		
		may be present on or near the site, a		
		survey should be carried out to inform this assessment (for which a licence		
		from SNH may be required)		
	b) Will the site affect			
	any other important	b) Will the site affect species listed in		
		the UK and Local BAPs, the Scottish		
	heritage?	Biodiversity List and relevant annexes		
		of the EC Habitats Directive?		

19	provide any form of renewable energy?	For example, will the site provide or be capable of providing a district heating system, solar panels of a wind turbine?	incorporated into the development as appropriate	
20	at risk from fluvial or coastal flooding as	Are you aware of any part of the site being within the 1 in 200 year flood risk contour as identified by SEPA? (which can be found here: http://www.sepa.org.uk/flooding/flood_risk_maps/view_the_map.aspx)	No.	
21	Will development of the site result in the need for changes in land form and level? If yes, how will soil and drainage issues be addressed?	Will there by any change in rate, quantity, quality of run-off plus groundwater impact on or off site? If so, will these affect priority habitats, especially blanket bog?	No change anticipated.	
22			No. SUDS will be provided as required, to lead surface water to a suitable mains drainage outlet.	
23	Will the site offer opportunities for sustainable waste management?	Will the waste produced by the site be minimised and processed close to source in a sustainable way?	Access to local recycling facilities at Invergordon.	
24	Can the site be connected to the public water and sewerage system?	Can the site be connected at reasonable cost? If not, what alternative is proposed?	Yes.	
25	Will the site require alteration to the local landform?	Can the site (including access) be developed without significant re-contouring etc.? Will access tracks and parking areas have significant cut and fill?	No significant change required.	

26		This will be noted on any relevant shoreline management plan.	No.	
27		Will development make best use of the site in terms of energy efficiency?	Reasonably well protected from prevailing wind, with opportunities for good solar orientation to south.	
28	quality?	Is the site near areas of employment or close to public transport? Such developments are less likely to result in additional traffic which may contribute to air pollution.		
29	impact on light pollution levels?	Is it likely that the Council policy likely will require street lighting at this location? Are there proposals for floodlighting on the site?	No, lighting can be designed to meet any relevant Council policies.	
30	the present green network of the area?	a) Will the site affect features that currently provide for the movement of species and/or people e.g. woodland, hedgerows, field margins, watercourses, coastlines, tree belts, greenspace?	No effect on green network.	
	b) Will the site provide opportunities to enhance the present green network of the area?	b) Will connectively of natural features or open space and paths used for public amenity be improved? Will existing fragmentation of habitats and open spaces be improved? Will species be enabled to move where at present there is an obstacle?		

31	opportunities for people to come into contact with and appreciate nature/ natural environments?	Is the site close to (within 1.5km) an opportunity to come into contact with nature/natural environments e.g. Local Nature Reserves, local greenspace, green networks? Are there proposals which will increase opportunities to come into contact with nature/natural environments?	Not applicable as this is a brown field urban site.	
32	any core paths or right of way? b) Will the site affect any other existing paths or outdoor access opportunities? c) Will the allocation provide new access opportunities within the site and linking to the path network beyond the site?	a) Is a diversion of a core path or right of way required? Will there be any impact on the usability of a core path or right of way? b) Will it affect an existing path in the Highland Path Record? Will it provide additional access opportunities or adversely affect access opportunities afforded by the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003? c) Will new paths be created within and beyond the site? Will any existing paths be improved e.g. to increase accessibility to a wider range of users? Will the site help to realise priorities identified in the Council's outdoor access strategy or aspirational paths identified in the core path plans?	lies to the north of the site and development should relate well to this route. b. No. c. Subject to development form, it may be appropriate to provide new routes	
33	Will the site have an impact on the geodiversity of the area?	Are you aware if the site lies within or adjacent to an un-notified Geological Conservation Review site or Local Geodiversity Site? (or other site with geodiversity value e.g. distinctive landforms, areas with natural processes, rock exposures for study?)	No.	

34	capability of the site be adversely affected?	Will the site result in a loss of soil due to development or removal of good quality soil from the site? Is the site on land identified as Prime Quality Agricultural Land?	No.	
35	peatland?	Is the site within or functionally connected to an area of peatland? Would the allocation involve the disturbance of peat? If yes, how would impacts on peatland be avoided or minimised? Would any tree felling be required?	No.	
36	affect on the viability	Does the site represent a significant loss of good quality inbye crofting land or common grazing land?	No.	







