

All of nature for all of Scotland Nàdar air fad airson Alba air fad

Simon Hindson Planner The Highland Council Planning and Development Service Glenurquhart Road Inverness IV3 5NX

devplans@highland.gov.uk

11 July 2011

Our ref: CNS/LDP/HI/HwLDP/Green Networks

Dear Mr Hindson

**Green Networks: Interim Supplementary Guidance Habitats Regulations Appraisal Record** 

Thank you for sending us Version 7 (dated 04 July 2011) of the Habitats Regulations Appraisal (HRA) Record for the HRA of the Green Networks: Interim Supplementary Guidance (ISG). This constitutes the formal consultation with SNH under Regulation 85B(2) of the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 as amended. The need for HRA of this guidance was stated in paragraph 1 of our letter of 02 December 2010 on the Draft Supplementary Guidance.

We have commented on previous versions of the record and we have advised on mitigation that is required to include within the ISG, all of which has been acted upon. We note the Council's conclusion now that subject to these mitigation measures and modifications to the plan, that there would be no adverse effects on the integrity of European sites.

Accordingly we have no further comments at this stage on the conclusion of the record, and would thank you for your cooperation in this matter. We look forward to the wide ranging aspects of green networks in Highland being promoted and enhanced through this important piece of guidance.

Yours sincerely

George Hogg

Area Manager South Highland

george.hogg@snh.gov.uk

SE SISANCE TO SERVICE TO SERVICE

Scottish Natural Heritage, Fodderty Way, Dingwall Business Park, Dingwall, Ross-shire. IV15 9XB Tel: 01349 865333 Fax: 01349 865609 Website: www.snh.gov.uk

Dualchas Nàdair na h-Alba, Slighe Fodhraitidh, Pàirc Gnìomhachas Inbhir Pheofharain, Inbhir Pheofharain, Siorrachd Rois. IV15 9XB

Fòn: 01349 865333 Facs: 01349 865609 Làrach-lìn: www.snh.gov.uk