#### THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL

# **SOUTH PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE –** 21 January 2014

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| Report No   | PLS/001/14 |

# Report by Head of Planning and Building Standards

#### SUMMARY

This report provides an update on progress of all cases within the 'Major' development category currently with the Planning and Development Service for determination and identifies those proposed applications which have Proposal of Application Notice (PAN). The report also details progress on proposals submitted under s36 or s37 of the Electricity Act 1989 on which the Council is consulted.

**Recommendation** – That the current position of these applications is noted.

#### 1. UPDATE ON PROGRESS

- 1.1 Appendix 1 contains a list of all applications for Major Development currently with the Service and awaiting determination. A brief update on the progress of these applications is provided, including a likely timescale for each case to be determined.
- 1.2 Appendix 2 provides a list of all significant Electricity Act applications. It should be noted that for many of these, the Council has already provided its response to Scottish Government. Only once Scottish Ministers determine these cases will they be removed from the list. From a performance point of view, the Council is not required to meet the same target timescales expected with planning applications.
- 1.3 Appendix 3 provides a list of all Proposal of Application Notice (PANs) for which applications are yet to be submitted. Where known, expected submission dates will be provided.
- 1.4 Details for any of these applications can be obtained through the Council's eplanning portal <a href="http://wam.highland.gov.uk.wam/">http://wam.highland.gov.uk.wam/</a> by entering the respective case reference number provided.

#### 2. **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 That Members note the current position with these applications.

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## **APPENDIX 1 - MAJOR APPLICATIONS PRE - 2009**

| OFFICER          | PROPOSAL   | ADDRESS  | APPLICANT                           | PROGRESS  | REFERENCE             | STATU | S WARD |
|------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-------|--------|
| Jim Harbison     | Erection of private flats and retail units   | Land At Thornbush Quay, Anderson Street, Inverness, Highland, ,  | The Caledonian Property Partnership | The application has remained pending whilst work on the proposed River Ness Flood Prevention Scheme has been progressed by the Council. Agreement in principle has been reached to allow the Council to construct the relevant section of flood defences alongalong the line previously granted planning permission in 2004 It is anticipated that an application will be lodged to extend the proposed flood was to cover the wider site. If the overall flood prevention measures are approved their it is anticipated that the current planning applications for housing/retail development will be amended as the originally proposed land raising will then no longer be required as a flood prevention measure. | all<br>08/00478/OUTIN | PCO   | 15     |
| David Mudie      | Education campus and related mixed use development comprising non-residential institutions, business, residential, assembly, leisure, residential and associated landscaping, open space, infrastructure and services  | Land At Beechwood Farm, Inverness, ,   | Highlands And Islands Enterprise    | Superseded by Campus application and progress. Applicant asked to confirm application should be withdrawn 04.09.13. Further reminder given 12.12.2013.  | 09/00256/OUTIN        | PCO   | 20     |
| Jim Harbison     | Mixed use development of 300 houses; tourism and heritage, equestrian and ecological centres; hotel and conference facilities; championship golf course, clubhouse and golf academy; community woodland and country park with associated infrastructure  | Land To North Of A96 Extending From , Whiteness Access Road To , The Common Good Land, Nairn, ,          | Cawdor Maintenance Trust            | Draft Section 75 with applicant's solicitors.   | 08/00080/OUTNA        | PDE   | 19     |
| Elaine Watt      | Erection of 37 houses (10 affordable)  | Land Adjacent To Fire Station, East End, Beauly, Highland, ,   | Aigas Construction Ltd              | Granted subject to prior conclusion of section 75 agreement relating to affordable housing, transfer of solum of distributor road to Council at nil cost, and number/type/position of screens to be placed in burn. Legal to contact applicants.  | 08/00430/FULIN        | PDE   | 13     |
| David Mudie      | Non food retail development  | Land To Rear Of Inverness Retail And Business Park, Eastfield Way, West Seafield, Inverness, Highland, , | d<br>Inverness Estates Ltd          | Committee Minded to Grant subject to S75 in October 2011. S75 being drafted. Seeking finalisation by March 14.  | 08/00788/OUTIN        | PDE   | 18     |
| APPENDIX 1 - I   | MAJOR APPLICATIONS POST - 2009   |  |                                     |   |                       |       |        |
| OFFICER          | PROPOSAL   | ADDRESS  | APPLICANT                           | PROGRESS  | REFERENCE             | STATU | S WARD |
| David Mudie      | Establish a port and port related services for energy related uses, including marine channel dredging, quay realignment, repair and maintenance, erection of offices, industrial and storage buildings and associated infrastructure, delivery and export of port related cargo, marine channel dredging, quay realignment, repair and maintenance erection of offices, industrial and storage buildings and associated new road access, parking, infrastructure, services, temporary stockpiling of dredged material, re-grading and upfilling of landward areas and landscaping. | e, Former Fabrication Yard, Ardersier, Nairn, ,  | Port Of Ardersier Limited           | SNH objection resolved. Determination January 2014.   | 13/01689/PIP          | PCO   | 18     |
| Nicola Drummond  | Proposed 5 storey hotel development with restaurant, bar facilities with associated car parking and access   | Former Swimming Pool Site, Glebe Street, Inverness, ,  | Carlton Rock Ltd.                   | Determination Jan 2014  | 13/03235/FUL          | PCO   | 15     |
| Andrew McCracker | Revision of masterplan and mixed use development incorporating residential and community uses  | Land To South Of West Kingsteps, Kingsteps, Lochloy Road, Nairn, ,                                       | Springfield Properties PLC          | Meeting with applicant and consultees 15/11. Awaiting further information to progress/consult TS. Determination April 2014.   | 13/03759/FUL          | PCO   | 19     |
| David Mudie      | Mixed use development including community facilities/local neighbourhood centre including Class 1/2/3 uses: 250 houses, open space, railway bridge for pedestrians and cyclists, landscaping and landscape buffer, access and transport improvements, associated infrastructure and land for business and industry including sawmill expansion area  | Land South Of Nairn Academy, Balblair Road, Nairn, ,   | Mr Charles Allenby                  | Amendments required to application. Letter sent 20 November 2013 requesting extension of time - no response received. Potential determination March 2014.   | 13/01276/PIP          | PCO   | 19     |

| David Mudie      | West Link- Construction of 3.2km new single carriageway road, 5 No roundabouts, a new swing bridge over the Caledonian Canal & a new bridge over the River Ness, with associated drainage, earthworks, fencing, landscaping, new access tracks/paths, street lighting etc |  | The Highland Council                                     | Determination April 2014.    | 13/03825/FUL | PCO | 16 |
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| Ken McCorquodale | Erection of a wind farm (max. 50MW installed capacity) comprising 20 Turbines (110m max. high to blade tip) and associated infrastructure, access tracks and 3 borrow pits (Glen Kyllachy Wind Farm).   | Land 6000M W Of Findhorn Bridge At Glen Kyllachy,<br>Tomatin, ,              | RWE Npower Renewables Ltd                                | Determination February 2014. | 13/02441/FUL | PCO | 20 |
| Nicola Drummond  | Demolition of Rose Street Hall & decked car park & phased redevelopment to provide multi-storey student accommodation, shops, food & drink premises, public space & environmental enhancement   | South And West Of, Rose Street, Inverness, ,                                 | Inverness Properties Ltd                                 | Report to February SPAC.     | 13/04137/FUL | PCO | 15 |
| Nicola Drummond  | Mixed use development to include up to 4,700 sqm of class 1, 2 and uses; public house/restaurant incorporating manager's residential accommodation; community allotments; all with associated engineering works, car parking, servicing, new access roads & landscaping   | 3  Land Adjacent To Inshes Retail Park, Dell Of Inshes, Inshes, Inverness, , | Scottish Widows Investment Partnership<br>Property Trust | Report to February SPAC.     | 13/04334/PIP | РСО | 20 |
| Keith Gibson     | Mixed use development comprising housing, affordable housing, homes for the elderly, mixed commercial uses, health centre, public open space and associated infrastructure.   | Land 145M North Of Smiddy Bar, Lewiston, Drumnadrochit,                      | , , Loch Ness Homes Ltd                                  | Report to February SPAC.     | 13/03694/PIP | PCO | 13 |

## APPENDIX 2 - APPLICATIONS UNDER S36 & 37 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT

| OFFICER          | PROPOSAL   | ADDRESS  | APPLICANT                    | PROGRESS   | REFERENCE     | STATUS | WARD |
|------------------|--|--|------------------------------|--|---------------|--------|------|
| David Mudie      | Erection of 31 wind turbines and associated infrastructure (Allt Duine Wind Farm)  | Land At Dunachton, Alvie And Dalraddy Estate, Alvie,<br>Kincraig, ,                | RWE NPower Renewables Ltd    | PLI held. Awaiting decision of Scottish Ministers.   | 11/00853/\$36 | PDE    | 21   |
| David Baldwin    | Application under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct an 8MW tidal stream array (comprising 8no. turbines installed on 4no. piled columns) at Kyle Rhea, between Kylerhea, Isle of Skye at Glenelg, Lochalsh |  | Sea Generation Ltd           | Substantial number of representations received to-date. Discussions on-going with applicant and key agencies (incl. Marine Scotland and SNH).                                      | 13/00762/536  | PCO    | 11   |
| David Baldwin    | 83 no. Turbines (300MW) onshore Stronelairg Wind Farm  | Stronelairg Wind Farm, Garrogie Estate, Whitebridge, Inverness, ,                  | SSE Generation Limited       | Presented to SPAC in February, who determined the need for a site visit. Site visit postponed until April (earliest) due to weather conditions and compacted ice on access tracks. | 12/02560/536  | PDE    | 13   |
| Ken McCorquodale | Increase the generational capacity of the consented Moy Wind Far<br>up to a maximum of 66 MW.  | Moy Estate Land 3km NE Of Moy, Moy, Tomatin, ,                                     | Carbon Free Moy Limited      | Awating Scottish Ministers decision.   | 13/01180/\$36 | PDE    | 20   |
| David Baldwin    | 36 Turbines (108MW Installed Capacity) Bhlaraidh Wind Farm, Invermoriston  | Glenmoriston Estate North Of Levishie, Invermoriston, ,                            | Scottish And Southern Energy | No objections raised by committee. With Scottish Ministers for a decision.   | 12/02556/\$36 | PDE    | 13   |
| Ken McCorquodale | Cairn Duhie Wind Farm - Erection of 20 wind turbines up to 60 MV total installed capacity  | V Cairn Duhie Wind Farm South East Of Ferness Between Nairn & Grantown-On-Spey , , | RES UK & Ireland Limited     | Response to Ministers expected June 14.  | 13/04142/536  | PCO    | 19   |
| Ken McCorquodale | To construct and operate an extension to the Corriegarth Wind Farm   | Land At Carn Na Saobhaidhe, Gorthleck, Inverness, ,                                | NBW Wind Energy Limited      | Addressing SEPA objection. Response likely by end January 14.  | 13/02456/\$36 | PCO    | 14   |

## **APPENDIX 3 - PANS**

| OFFICER          | PROPOSAL  | ADDRESS   | APPLICANT                              | PROGRESS | REFERENCE    | STATUS | WARD |
|------------------|---|---|--|----------|--------------|--------|------|
| Nicola Drummond  | Demolition of existing school & erection of new 3.5 storey secondary school with assiciated hard & soft landscaping, external sports provision, bus drop off & car parking  | Inverness Royal Academy, 192 Culduthel Road, Inverness, IV2 6RE,                                      | Hub North Scotland Ltd                 |          | 13/02892/PAN | PCO    | 16   |
| Susan Macmillan  | Planning permission in principle for retail development of 4358 sq.m. gross floor space (comprising 2128 sq.m. gross of food/convenience floorspace and 2230 sq.m. gross of unrestricted non-food/comparison floorspace) and a 232 sq.m. gross fast food unit, with ancillary parking + servicing   |   | Morbaine Limited                       |          | 13/02995/PAN | PCO    | 22   |
| David Baldwin    | Erection of about 16 wind turbines with a tip height of about 130 m and associated infrastructure, including underground cabling, access tracks, crandhardstandings, control buildings and substation   | e Land At Dell Estate, Whitebridge, Inverness, ,  | Falck Renewables Wind Ltd              |          | 12/04001/PAN | PCO    | 13   |
| David Baldwin    | Erection of 18 hole golf course, club house, sports hub comprising sports pitches, changing/shower facilities & fitness trails, car parking & ancillary works   | Land 400M West Of Torvean Golf Club, Inverness, ,   | TEC Services                           |          | 13/03090/PAN | PCO    | 14   |
| David Mudie      | Change of planning condition to extend expiry date from 2018 to 2036  | Lochaline Mine, Lochaline, Morvern, ,   | Tarmac Ltd                             |          | 11/03793/PAN | PCO    | 22   |
| David Mudie      | Redevelopment/refurbishment and extension to create 85 to 90 serviced apartments with ancillary facilities, car parking and landscaping.  | Four Seasons Hotel MacDonald Aviemore Resort, The Aviemore Centre, Grampian Road, Aviemore, PH22 1PF, | Macdonald Aviemore Highland Resort Ltd |          | 13/02291/PAN | PCO    | 21   |
| Ken McCorquodale | Application under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) At 1997 to delete Condition 16 of the planning permission NA◀HLD◀037 which reads "Hours of opening for all retailing uses shall be limited to between 080 hours and 2200hours Monday to Sunday. No deliveries shall take place outwith the hours 0600 - 2200 from Monday to Friday 0800 - 2000 on Saturday and 1200 - 2000 on Sunday" to allow for 24 hour opening and servicing of the store. |   | ASDA Stores Ltd                        |          | 11/03465/PAN | РСО    | 20   |