

Comments for Planning Application 2022/0285/DET

Dear Sir/Madam,
Mr James Fraser,

You have been sent this email because you or somebody else has submitted a comment on a Planning Application to your local authority using your email address. A summary of your comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 26/02/2023 8:55 AM from Mr James Fraser.

Application Summary

Address: Ledard Farm Aberfoyle Stirling FK8 3TL

Proposal: Change of use of land to caravan site (for the siting of 4 no. pods), formation of new access and installation of sewage treatment plant

Case Officer: Vivien Emery

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Customer Details

Name: Mr James Fraser

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Address: Carrochan , Carrochan Road, Balloch G83 8EG

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Organisation/body

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: On behalf of the independent conservation charity, Friends of Loch Lomond and the Trossachs, I am writing to confirm our support for this small scale glamping development at Ledard Farm for the following reasons:
1. This is a good farm diversification scheme with multiple benefits-Several years ago we organised a seminar to encourage farmers and others to consider diversifying with small-scale eco tourism schemes and in particular glamping developments as there was a real shortage of this type accommodation within the National Park for visitors to enjoy the great outdoors. We were also concerned about the fragility of farming in the Park and consider that diversification with the development of small scale tourism developments helps to generate new sources of income to sustain farm businesses. The owners of Ledard Farm have successfully diversified with some other high quality and imaginative uses of farm buildings for tourism puposes and this is the next logical step in farm diversification as the operation of a sheep hill farm becomes increasingly



uneconomic. The development will help sustain the farm and provide an opportunity for more visitors to enjoy the great outdoors from a base at the four glamping pods.

2. The development is appropriate in scale and is well screened in the corner of a field on the edge of the village and outwith the more sensitive loch frontage.

3. The development is a good fit with various planning and policy framework documents and national, regional and local level as highlighted in the applicant's supporting statement. It is a particularly good fit with the Local Development Plan and Supplementary Guidance which are supportive of small scale tourism and glamping developments with this site being within the area of search identified in the guidance maps. The recently published Strathard Framework also identifies potential for small scale glamping in the area.

We commend this proposal.
