

Application Summary

Address: Ground To The North Of Blairmore Village Hall Blairmore Argyll And Bute PA23 8TJ

Erection of 3 cabins (for holiday let), formation of car parking (totalling 36 spaces)

Proposal: including electrical charge points, formation of access paths and renovations to

existing village hall

Case

Officer: Jennifer Paton

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter

Type: Organisation/body

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:

On behalf of the Friends of loch Lomond and The Trossachs, the independent conservation charity covering the National Park area, I am writing to confirm we support this imaginative planning application which will have a number of major benefits for the village of Blairmore if approved.

The local community are to be commended for taking the initiative and coming forward with a set of innovative plans that will result in significant improvements to community hall facilities, much needed additional improvements to village parking, the creation of public space with a viewpoint and landscape gardens. The inclusion of three high quality self-catering holiday cabins is welcome too as this should help to cross-subsidise the other improvements and provide a useful income stream.

The design statement submitted with the application confirms the application is compatible with, and supports, a number of the visitor experience, transport, natural environment open space and community facilities policies in the current Local Development Plan and we would agree with this. The contribution to enhancing community facilities, open space and visitor experience policies are particularly relevant and should help strengthen the vibrancy and social and economic well-being of the village which is entirely in line with the overall aims of



the National Park.

The inclusion of 29 off-road parking spaces as part of the scheme is particularly welcome as the village suffers from a lack of public parking with most parking currently taking place at the side of the main road which is unsatisfactory. This has been sensitively designed with permeable paving to allow grass growth and drainage. The landscaping of the existing public open space and incorporation of amphitheatre style seating to support performance space for outdoor events is also welcome.

A good scheme which we consider deserves to be approved by the NPA.