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Sent: 26 March 2024 09:39
To: Denise Dickson
Subject: Kilnadore road

Good Morning Denise

Site for Guest House Kilnadore Road Mr D Mc Allister LA01/2022/0905

Letter of support for this Application.

Reasons for refusal .

1 There are no overriding reasons why this development is essential in this rural location and could not be located within a settlement.

2 The proposal is not located on the periphery of a settlement ,and is not been fully demonstrated that there is no suitable site within a settlement.

Reasons to support this Application.

A extensive search has been undertaken of sites and lands within the settlement,and on the edge of the settlement with sites proven unavailable or unsuitable.

Cushendall and the surrounding area is severely lacking tourist accommodation,ultimately affecting local economy and the livelihood of local people.

Even recently the existing the existing guesthouse within the village which accommodates 21 people has proposals to be changed into a dental surgery(which is also needed in the area) and the guest house at Shore Street has received planning permission to be changed to a residential dwelling .

This adds to the lack of affordable tourist accommodation within the area.

None are suitable for disabled access.

The new hotel in Cushendall does not have planning approval and will provide hotel accomationwhich not everyone can afford .

A mix of hotel,guesthouse B&B accommodation is required.

The new distillery now has planning permission which will bring thousands of tourists each year to Cushendall and have nowhere to stay.

There clearly is a grey area within planning legislation which gives no measurable definition of Periphery and the distance is subject to the case officer's interpretation,which seem to vary in many cases .

This is inconsistent and unfair to applicant involved.

The applicant has provided financial evidence to planning that this is a self funded project and is not reliant on grants .

Causeway Coast And Glens Borough Councilseek to promote tourism within the Glens Of Antrim,and the proposed planning decision is completely contrary to this.

Planning have agreed end that the design of the building meets all planning criteria in terms of design, scale and size for the locality and respects the setting in the AONB.

No objections from any consulatees

I would pledge with you to reconsider this Applications .

Clark Margaret Anne Mc Killop

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