

The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 as amended by the Planning Etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2008

The Council will respond within 21 days of receiving the Notice. It will advise whether the proposed Pre-application Consultation is satisfactory or if additional notification and consultation above the statutory minimum is required. Please note that a planning application for this proposed development cannot be submitted less than 12 weeks from the date the Proposal of Application Notice is received by the Council and without the statutory consultation requirements having been undertaken. The planning application must be accompanied by a Pre-application consultation report.

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Address or Location of Proposed Development

Please refer to strip plans appended to this submission, which outlines the location of the route.

Description (South-to-North):

- *The ACNMU route starts at Dougal Drive. A priority crossing will be provided to connect with the existing Speyside Way (Core Path LBS116) to the South of Dougal Drive. The route continues north to Granish Junction and over this section, the route lies remote from the carriageway running to the east of the B9152.*
- *Existing T-Junction between the B9152, A95 and A9 will be replaced by a proposed roundabout as part of the P11 Dalraddy to Slochd A9 Dualling Project. The route will remain on the eastern side of this proposed new roundabout. A crossing will take users from the east to the west side of the A95, approximately 60 metres north of the proposed new roundabout*
- *Between Granish Junction and Avielochan the route remains adjacent the west of the A95 carriageway*
- *Due to the close proximity of an existing pond adjacent to the A95 at Avielochan, the route is remote from carriageway at this location*
- *The route runs to the west of the Highland Mainline Railway (HMR), and is remote from the A95 carriageway and on the approaches to the HMR underpass, is shared with a proposed A9 Dualling Dalraddy to Slochd project agricultural access track over a length of 80 metres. Between the HMR Underpass and Kinveachy Junction, the route is adjacent to the west of the A95 carriageway*
- *At Kinveachy Junction the development will continue from the west side of the A95 to the west side of the B9513 via a crossing of a private access road. The route is remote from the B9153 to retain the line of mature trees which are adjacent to the west of the carriageway. An uncontrolled crossing of the B9153 will be provided to connect with the existing off*

carriageway NCN7 leading to Boat of Garten. Between Kinveachy Junction and Carrbridge, the ACNMMU runs on the west side of the B9153.

- The ACNMMU route terminates at the southern extents of Carrbridge. For cyclists travelling North from the ACNMMU into Carrbridge, a transition has been provided to allow cyclists to continue on the B9153 carriageway.

Description of Development

Formation of the Aviemore to Carrbridge Non-Motorised User Route/Path, of approximately 10km in length and formed via both existing and new paths

The development will create a wholly segregated NMU Route/Path between Aviemore and Carrbridge with an approximate length of 10km. Some of this will include upgrading of existing infrastructure by resurfacing with a bound bituminous surface as well as widening to meet the required 3m standard for an NMU route, but the majority of the route will be a newly constructed bituminous surface.

The development of the ACNMMU is classified as a major development within The Town and Country Planning (Hierarchy of Developments) (Scotland) Regulations 2009 given that the development exceeds 8km in length (schedule, paragraph 6). This also means that the development will be subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment as has been confirmed by the screening opinion received from the Highland Council on 22/02/2022

Pre-application Screening Notice

Has a Screening Opinion been issued on the need for a Proposal of Application notice by the Highland Council in respect of the proposed development?

If yes, please provide a copy of this Opinion.

Yes, please find attached within the submission

Community Consultation

There have been two completed programmes of public consultation (At Baseline Assessment stage and Options Appraisal Stage).

There is a further consultation event (Outline Design Stage) currently in progress with a closing date of 15 June 2022 which is a hybrid event of both in-person and virtual/online (please see following section).

State which other parties have received a copy of this Proposal of Application Notice.

Community Council/s

- Aviemore & Vicinity;
- Boat of Garten;
- Carrbridge;

- *Dalnain Bridge;*
- *Grantown-on-Spey;*
- *Kincraig & Vicinity;*
- *Nethy Bridge; and,*
- *Newtonmore.*

Names/details of any other parties

- *Highland Council*
- *CNPA*
- *Sustrans*
- *HITRANS*

Please give details of consultation currently in progress:

Outline Design Exhibition (May/June 2022)

This event differs from the previous 2 events in that the preferred route has now been selected, with that in mind the stated purpose of the exhibition is to:

- *Provide an overview of the Preferred route design proposals*
- *Present details of the ongoing design development of the preferred route and outline the next steps for the project*
- *Provide attendees with an opportunity to submit any views they may have on the design for review in advance of the application for planning consent being submitted.*

Some of the exhibition materials include:

- *Overview plans*
- *A graphic of the project development process*
- *Details of previous commentary on the NMU route*
- *Key areas of the preferred route*
- *The same materials are available at both the 'In person' and virtual events.*

Venues:

Event 1: Aviemore Community Centre, Muirton, Aviemore, PH221SF

Event 2: Carrbridge Village Hall, Main Road, Carrbridge, PH233BB

Date and time

Event 1: Aviemore, Wednesday 25 May 2022, 3–8pm

Event 2: Carrbridge Thursday 26 May 2022, 2–6pm

A parallel VIRTUAL EVENT has been posted on the Transport Scotland website at transport.gov.scot/ACNMU over the 3 week period from Monday 23 May to Monday 15 June where the public will also be able to provide feedback on the designs

Advertising

In advance of the exhibition, letters of invitation and an accompanying flyer were sent via email to local Community Councils and NMU groups who were asked to distribute the information to members and the wider community. Similarly, invitations were issued via email to CNPA, THC, HITRANS and Sustrans, who were asked to distribute them to interested parties. Further

invites were issued via email to Historic Environment Scotland, SEPA, NatureScot and The Spey Fishery Board in their capacity as Statutory Consultees. The invites were issued via email to the following Community Councils:

- Aviemore & Vicinity;
- Boat of Garten;
- Carrbridge;
- Dulnain Bridge;
- Grantown-on-Spey;
- Kincaig & Vicinity;
- Nethy Bridge; and,
- Newtonmore.

The invitations were issued to local stakeholder and NMU groups, and offered an opportunity for representatives from the groups to view the virtual room and attend the in-person event.

Press advertisements were published in the following newspapers:

- Inverness Courier
- Highland News
- Strathspey and Badenoch Herald; and
- The Press and Journal

A poster / leaflet drop for businesses and groups to advertise the event at their premises/venues was carried out.

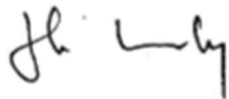
Details of any other consultation methods (date, time and with whom)

Affected parties (landowners and those with a land interest within the study boundary) have been identified through a formal search process and have been engaged with throughout the project development (2019 – Present)

Ongoing correspondence with stakeholders and landowners throughout the development of the project. Formal meetings have taken place as follows:

Meeting Date	Meeting Name	Attendees
21/01/2019	Multi Agency Meeting 1	Highland Council, Cairngorm NPA, Sustrans, HITRANS
22/08/2019	Multi Agency Meeting 2	Highland Council, Cairngorm NPA, Sustrans, HITRANS
03/06/2020	Multi Agency Meeting 3	Highland Council, Cairngorm NPA, Sustrans, HITRANS
09/07/2020	Statutory Consents including Planning Meeting	Highland Council (Planning Team), Cairngorm NPA (Planning Team), Sustrans, HITRANS
10/01/2021	Badenoch & Strathspey Business Ward Meeting	Highland Council, Badenoch and Strathspey Ward Councillors
05/07/2021	Consultation with BEAR/Transport Scotland Roads	BEAR, Transport Scotland Roads Department (NE and NW Units)
16/02/2022	Multi Agency Meeting 4	Highland Council, Cairngorm NPA, Sustrans, HITRANS
02/03/2022	Statutory Processes Summary and Clarifications	Highland Council (Planning Team), Cairngorm NPA (Planning Team),

21/03/2022	BEAR / TS Roads Meeting – (Advance of Technical Meeting)	BEAR
28/03/2022	Multi Agency Technical Meeting	Highland Council, Cairngorm NPA, BEAR
31/03/2022	Accessibility Group Meeting	CNPA, Disability Beyond Borders, Badenoch and Strathspey Access Panel
06/04/2022	Statutory Processes Meeting	Highland Council (Planning Team), Cairngorm NPA (Planning Team),
19/04/2022	Maintenance Discussion	Highland Council
19/04/2022	Maintenance Discussion	Cairngorm NPA
20/04/2022	Maintenance Discussion	Sustrans
20/04/2022	Maintenance Discussion	BEAR
22/04/2022	Maintenance Discussion	Highland Council



Signed

(John Kennedy, AMJV)

Date: 09/06/2022