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on the Proposed Aberdeenshire Local
Development Plan 2020. If you are making
comments about more than one topic it would be very
helpful if you could fill in a separate response form for each issue you wish to raise.

Please email or send the form to reach us by 17 July 2020 at the following address:

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YOUR COMMENTS

Please provide us with your comments below. We will summarise comments and in our analysis will consider every point that is made. Once we have done this we will write back to you with Aberdeenshire Council's views on the submissions made. We will publish your name as the author of the comment, but will not make your address public.

Modification that you wish to see (please make specific reference to the section of the Proposed Plan you wish to see modified if possible, for example Section 9, paragraph E1.1):

Inverurie & Port Elphinstone.

P 19. I understand that the designation of this site is to be changed from Town Centre to Protected Land. This proposal needs to be reversed with P 19 remaining as Town Centre.

Reason for change:

The change in status to Protected Land will devalue to site of ILW FC. The implication of this is that it will hinder the continual development of the facilities of the club as it will no longer have a tangible asset against which to borrow capital.

Standards at football grounds continue to be raised in respect of facilities, crowd safely and disabled access & facilities. The provision of these comes at a cost to a club. Much of this cost comes from revenue generated by the match day experience. This does not just simply happen, it is a result of hard work and continual investment by the club.

This investment only allows the club to stand still and there will be a point in the future where significant investment will be required. This will mean having to borrow but if P 19 is designated as Protected Land ILW FC will be unable to do so and the downward spiral will kick off.

The implications for the club are obvious but what is less obvious is the effect that this will have on the community. It is understood that the club has contributed in the region of a six figure sum to the community over the last three years. Clearly this will be unsustainable unless the club can continue to improve its facilities and enhance the match day experience.