



# Banff Springs

the hotel

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Your Ref: LDG2021 NN

Planning and Environment  
Infrastructure Services  
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Dear Sirs

**Proposed Erection of Houses at OP1 Goldenknowes**

I write in connection with the above planning proposal for 400 homes, community facilities, leisure and retail units at OP1 Goldenknowes.

I believe this proposal will have a detrimental effect on tourism in the area. The hospitality trade has suffered a particularly difficult period with COVID-19 and will be particularly hard hit with the proposal at a time when we are trying to build up our business and encourage tourism to the area.

The Banff Springs Hotel is well established and has been trading for over 40 years. We are very popular with weddings and conference and event facilities and one of our unique selling points is our outstanding view over Boyndie Bay and Beach. We are working hard to encourage new tourism to the area and are a business member of the NE250 route and working hard towards forming a partnership with Banff in Canada to further tourism and business in the area.

I believe the appearance of the designed layout would have a negative impact upon the surrounding amenity of the area and the entrance to Banff as the build line is too close to the main road.

In 1964 when the Hotel was built, the line of construction was kept back from the main road and entrance to Banff. The development should share the same planning principals today, and the new houses should be no closer to the road, maintaining green areas on the roadsides entrance area to Banff.

Thank you for this opportunity to consider our views and we would willingly work with the developer and the planning department to ensure a successful outcome.

Yours sincerely

  
Director

The Banff Springs Hotel  


