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**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):

## Settlement Statement – Inverurie and Port Elphinstone (Appendix 7d)

<u>Site OP5</u> The northern fringe of OP5, between Old Kemnay Road and the River Don, consists of a woodland strip and flood plain. Could the designation of this part of OP5 be changed to "Protected Land", which would not conflict with the planning permission in principle already granted to the major development on OP5? Exactly the same type of woodland strip is so designated at P8 north of the River Don. At OP5 it would be ideal if the adjacent section of Old Kemnay Road could be included in the Protected designation. In addition, the linked area of broadleaved woodland south of Lynndale on Old Kemnay Road could be added to the Protected Land designation; likewise without prejudice to the Crichie development proposals.

<u>Site P8</u> In view of the argument presented for OP5 above, it would make sense to extend P8 to include the adjacent flood plain.

<u>Site P9</u> The riverbank strip adjacent to the Protected Land of Davidson Field is not designated as Protected Land. Surely it should be, as implied by ALDP17?

## Reason for change:

The suggested modifications support the protection of landscape character, enhance the green-blue network, and contribute to place-making.

<u>Site OP5</u> To protect the woodland strip's function as a buffer strip, and to make it consistent with the designation of the similar strip at P8; also to protect the trees in their own right. Inclusion of Old Kemnay Road would protect the rural and historic character of the road, maintaining its value as a recreational asset and potential strategic link. Addition of the linked area of broadleaved woodland would ensure protection of the habitat and its importance as a landscape feature.

<u>Site P8</u> To ensure consistency with any protection afforded to the flood plain on the south side of the River Don (as per "OP5" above).

<u>Site P9</u> It is illogical to have a strip of unprotected land between the Don and the Protected Land at Davidson Field, part of the flood plain.

