

Report To: The Planning Board

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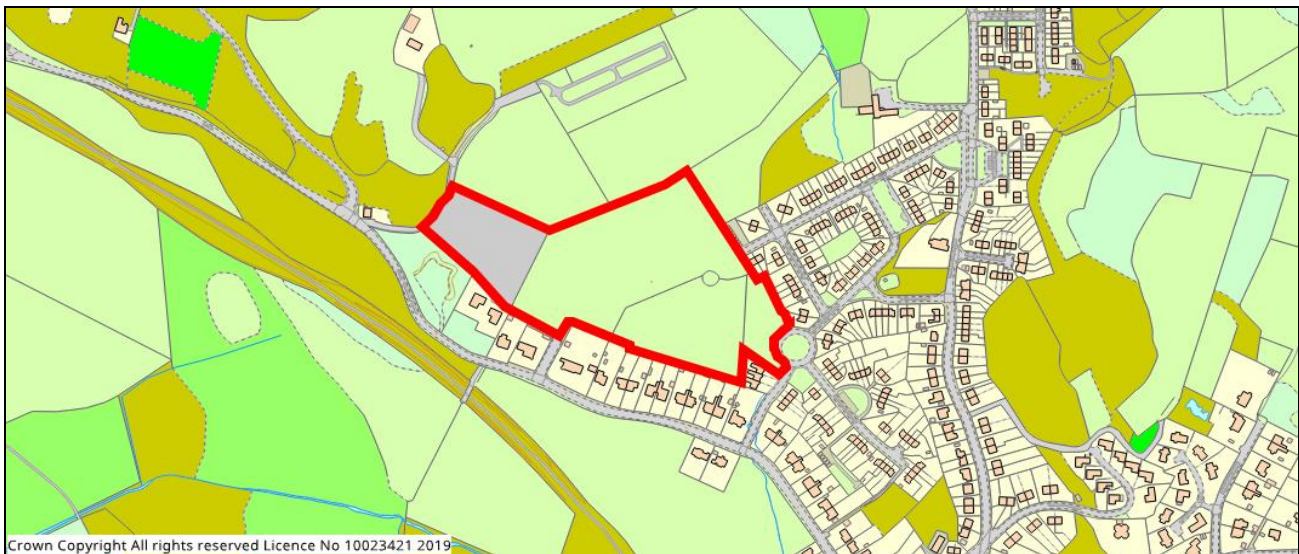
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Major Application Development

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Subject: Notification of call-in of the planning application by the Scottish Ministers in respect of residential development to include access, roads, open space, landscaping, drainage and other associated works (planning permission in principle) (major) at
Land west of Quarry Drive, Kilmacolm



SUMMARY

- The planning application has been called-in by the Scottish Ministers to determine the application themselves.

Details of the application call-in may be viewed at:
<https://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/CaseDetails.aspx?id=121586>

INTRODUCTION

A Pre-Determination Hearing was carried out on 28 April 2021 by the Planning Board as the proposed development is a Major Development and considered to be significantly contrary to the adopted 2019 Inverclyde Local Development Plan.

On 4 May 2021 the full Council agreed with the recommendation that notification of the application be made under The Town and Country Planning (Notification of Applications) (Scotland) Direction 2009 to the Scottish Ministers, indicating the Council's intention to grant planning permission in principle, subject to conditions. The notification of the recommendation is required as the Council owns a small part at the eastern side of the application site and the proposal is significantly contrary to the adopted 2019 Inverclyde Local Development Plan.

NOTIFICATION OF CALL-IN BY THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS

On 5 July 2021 notification was received from the Scottish Ministers that they have directed the application be referred to them for determination. The Scottish Ministers consider the case raises issues of national significance with regard to the interpretation and application of Scottish Planning Policy, and in view of Inverclyde Council's interest in the proposed development, to allow further scrutiny of the reasons for proposing to approve it as a significant departure from the development plan.

The decision on the application by the Scottish Ministers will be final.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board notes the position.

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Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 – Background Papers. For further information please contact Sean Mc Daid on 01475 712412.