

PLEASE STOP AN INDUSTRIAL LORRY PARK ON HILL ABOVE KINBUCK

In August 2020, at a farcical planning zoom meeting, permission was granted for a major industrial development (lorry park and services) on the A9 (on the hill above Glassingall and Kinbuck). The Court of Session quashed the decision after a legal challenge by members of the community. The Council was found to have broken planning law and their own procedures.

The London-based developer has resubmitted the same application for the same lorry park, at the same place, and the process now starts again.

What's the problem?

- This is the first of a few large-scale developments proposed on open countryside west of the A9, setting precedent for the urbanisation of land between Kinbuck and Dunblane.
- The development seriously conflicts with the Council's own Local Development Plan. Stirling Council's senior planner recommended refusal citing nine breached policies.
- This recommendation was ignored by some councillors not local to the area. They gave no evidence of the claimed economic and tourism benefits. They took no account of the economic disbenefit of breaching national policy to site services and electric charging points within communities so local businesses benefit from passing trade.
- Whilst Dunblane would benefit from its own service station and electric charging points, these amenities should be located in Dunblane at a sustainable and safe location.
- The truck stop is an opportunistic "punt" by a private developer. There is no identified need for another truck stop in Stirlingshire (there are already two). There is no need for new A9 services as Scottish Government is phasing out fossil-fuel vehicles by 2025.
- The development's access breaches road safety standards, increasing the accident risk on the most dangerous section of the A9 within 77km (police accident data).
- It is proposed that locals employed at the service station cross the A9 using a pedestrian crossing to access public transport.
- The petrol station is being promoted as a local "amenity" despite the developer privately assuring Transport Scotland it is only for passing traffic due to the road safety concerns.

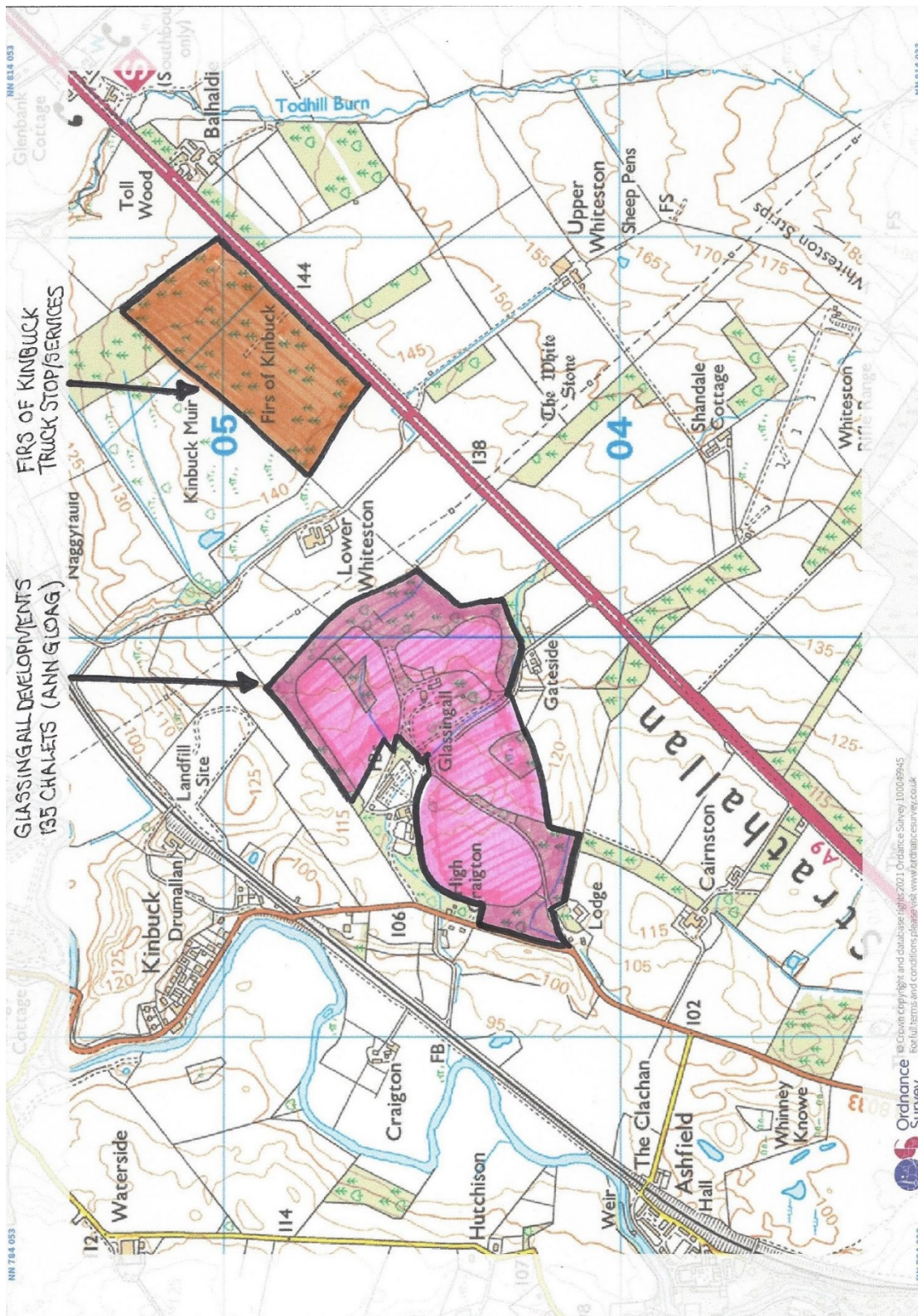
What can you do?

By **Friday 2 April 2021**, submit your views quoting reference 19/00243/PPP:

- to the online Planning Portal at www.pabs.stirling.gov.uk, or
- by email to mulgrewm@stirling.gov.uk, or
- by post to Michael Mulgrew, Stirling Council, Teith House, Kerse Road, FK7 7QA

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Kind regards,
Members of the local community

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