I should like to object to the proposal for further development at T1 Tomintoul.

This site is already developed in a sympathetic way and follows the spirit of the National Park. Many tourists and residents visit the site as it has a walk suitable for disabled and wheelchair bound with a variety of plants and wildlife observable from easily accessible hides. The area provides shelter for deer, red squirrels, hares and an enormous variety of birds.

I'm not sure what sort of 'tourist development' could improve on this. Tomintoul already has a large amount of holiday accommodation and its 'wildlife and walking' are the main attractions. I had thought the 'Cairngorms National Park' designation would protect the village from unnecessary development.

We have already had the 'recent' development of heavily grant aided and subsidised 'Wigwam' sheds. There seems little supervision of the project which has been one farce after another and has led to a huge amount of woodland being removed.

I believe the road access is not suitable for more development in this area, especially as we now have 24 more dwellings which are likely to be accessed by car.

Only two residents of Tomintoul have been notified of this 'change of use' as this is I believe a legal requirement. However, would it not have been more honest and transparent to place this notice on the board in the Glenlivet Estate car park so that the many villagers using this site could have become aware of the precise details of the proposal?

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