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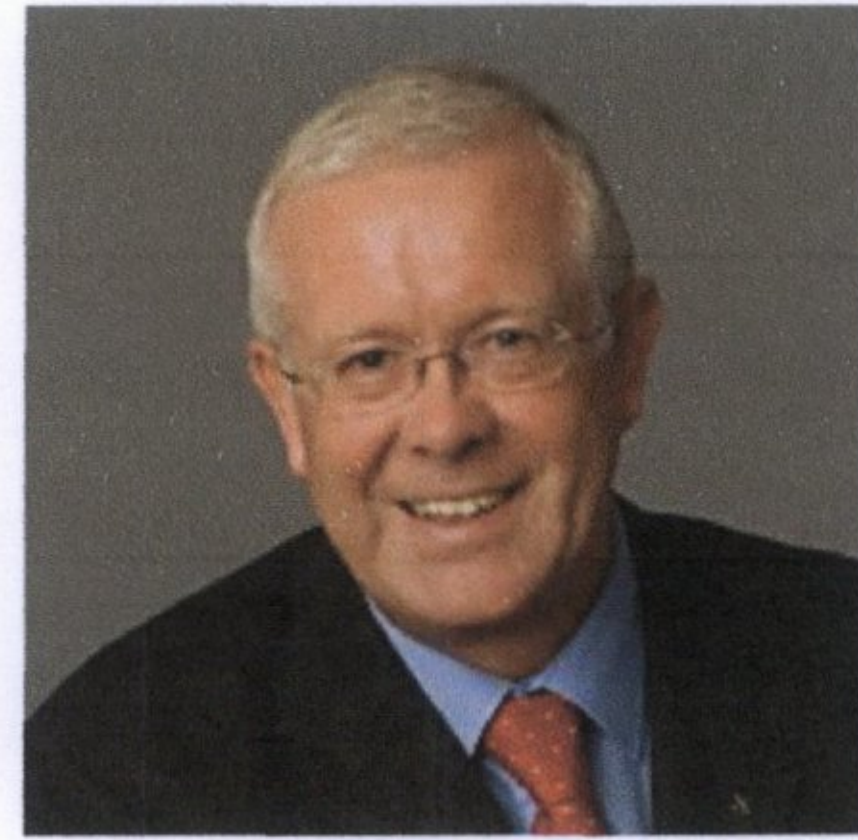
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To: National Park Planning and Access Committee

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TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK

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HEADQUARTERS



Planning Application Number: 2016/0096/DET - Erection of Retiral Dwelling House at Oakwoods Farm, Croftamie

I have recently been contacted by constituents of mine, Jamie and Ingeborg Martin, Oakwoods, Croftamie, G63 0EX, regarding being refused planning permission for the erection of a retiral house.

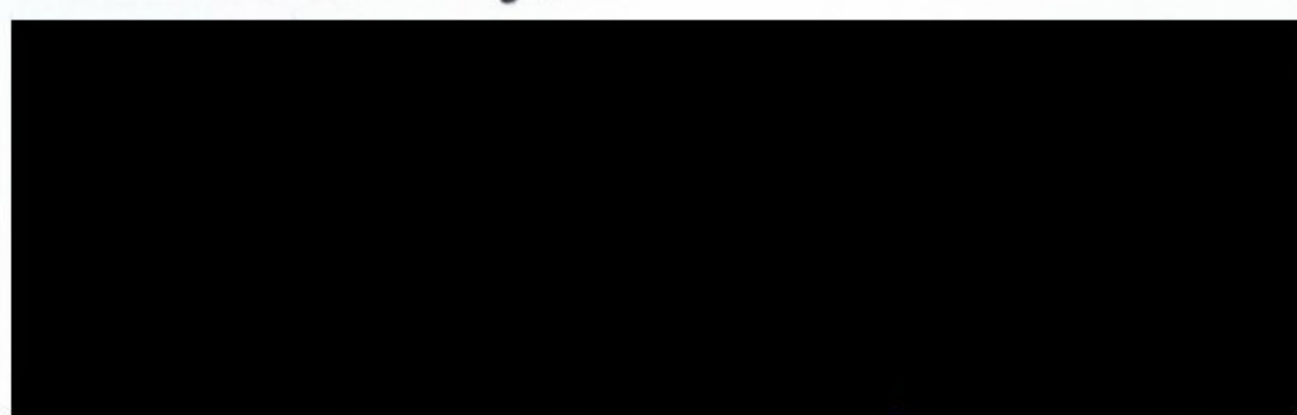
I support my constituents' planning application and agree with them that it is necessary for them to live on site in such a rural location. They have built a successful business over 20 years, and this is because of the quality customer service they are able to provide to their guests. It is difficult to see how they can continue to offer the level of assistance or advice from a remote location.

My constituents tell me that the feedback they receive from guests is that the quality of customer care is the reason they rebook, not only being available to give advice, but offering courtesy lifts to the village, restaurants, and the train station. In addition, the lodges are visible from the main road and security is a very important issue.

Mr Martin has lived at Oakwoods all his life, and I fully support his wish to continue to live there so that he and his wife can assist their daughter in gradually taking over the running of the business and allow them to re-establish the farm.

I would be grateful if the Planning and Access Planning Committee members would give sympathetic consideration to this case.

Yours sincerely,



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