

MORAY LOCAL REVIEW BODY

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FOR CASE No 008

1. Ward 2: Keith & Cullen

Planning application 09/01109/OUT – Planning permission in principle for the erection of a house on Plot A, Lockers, Followsters Farm, Newmill

 Planning permission was refused under the Statutory Scheme of Delegation by the Appointed Officer on 11 December 2009 on the grounds that:

The proposal is contrary to policy 1(e) of the Moray Structure Plan 2007 and policies H8 and IMP1 of the adopted Moray Local Plan 2008 for the following reasons:

The proposal involves the formation of a house plot and associated access track in the central area of a field within an open rural setting. It would be readily visible from elevated viewpoints along the public road to the east and other than a small stand of trees within the site, would have no backdrop to offset its prominence. Given these site characteristics and surroundings, the prospective dwelling and access track would represent inappropriate 'overtly prominent' development in the countryside, that would neither be low-impact nor well located. The resultant development would detract from the rural character of this part of the countryside contrary to the above provisions. No material considerations exist to warrant a departure from policy.

- 3. The Report of Handling on the application subject of Review is attached as **Appendix 1**
- A copy of the Notice of the Review together with an index of attachments including the Grounds for Review is attached as Appendix 2
- 5. There were no further representations from interested parties.