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The Clerk to the Local Review Body  
The Moray Council  
Council Office  
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Dear Sir or Madam

Reference: 09/01127/OUT

Thank you for your letter of 30 June 2010 relating to the request for a review relating to planning application 09/01127/OUT.

I have read the submission from the applicant, Mr Williams.

I see no reason to overturn the original decision to refuse planning permission.

The simple fact is that the site he refers to is outwith the settlement boundary. The fact that the settlement boundary extends further on the north side of the road than it does on the south side of the road is irrelevant. The fact is the settlement boundary is set where it is and the plot in question is outwith that boundary.

As a point of information, Mr Williams' contention that his submission relates to "part of the original plot of land known as Lilac Cottage ..... a 19<sup>th</sup> century cottage and garden ground pertaining thereto" is incorrect. The site in question was not part of the site on which Lilac Cottage stood. The site of Lilac Cottage with its domestic garden was subdivided into two plots, one of which has since been built on, and the other of which has a house currently under construction on it. The site to which the applicant refers now was separated from the site of Lilac Cottage by a fixed boundary. It was not part of the garden of Lilac Cottage, but a small field that was left as pasture. Whether or not it was historically in the same ownership as Lilac Cottage I do not know. It is however irrelevant as the key point is that it was a field and not part of the garden grounds of Lilac Cottage.

The points that I made in previous correspondence remain. Innes Road is narrow and any further housing accessed from the road will increase the traffic.

To allow this proposal would have the effect of changing the settlement boundary and undermining the integrity of the village.

I would urge you to refuse this appeal.

Yours sincerely

Rob Wallen