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ANNEX A

DEFINING A MATERIAL CONSIDERATION

- 1. Legislation requires decisions on planning applications to be made in accordance with the development plan (and, in the case of national developments, any statement in the National Planning Framework made under section 3A(5) of the 1997 Act) unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The House of Lord's judgement on City of Edinburgh Council v the Secretary of State for Scotland (1998) provided the following interpretation. If a proposal accords with the development plan and there are no material considerations indicating that it should be granted. If the proposal does not accord with the development plan, it should be refused unless there are material considerations indicating that it should be granted.
- 2. The House of Lord's judgement also set out the following approach to deciding an application:
 - Identify any provisions of the development plan which are relevant to the decision,
 - Interpret them carefully, looking at the aims and objectives of the plan as well as detailed wording of policies,
 - Consider whether or not the proposal accords with the development plan,
 - Identify and consider relevant material considerations for and against the proposal, and
 - Assess whether these considerations warrant a departure from the development plan.
- 3. There are two main tests in deciding whether a consideration is material and relevant:
 - It should serve or be related to the purpose of planning. It should therefore relate to the development and use of land, and
 - It should fairly and reasonably relate to the particular application.
- 4. It is for the decision maker to decide if a consideration is material and to assess both the weight to be attached to each material consideration and whether individually or together they are sufficient to outweigh the development plan. Where development plan policies are not directly relevant to the development proposal, material considerations will be of particular importance.

- 5. The range of considerations which might be considered material in planning terms is very wide and can only be determined in the context of each case. Examples of possible material considerations include:
 - Scottish Government policy, and UK Government policy on reserved matters
 - The National Planning Framework
 - Scottish planning policy, advice and circulars
 - European policy
 - a proposed strategic development plan, a proposed local development plan, or proposed supplementary guidance
 - Guidance adopted by a Strategic Development Plan Authority or a planning authority that is not supplementary guidance adopted under section 22(1) of the 1997 Act
 - a National Park Plan
 - the National Waste Management Plan
 - community plans
 - the environmental impact of the proposal
 - the design of the proposed development and its relationship to its surroundings
 - access, provision of infrastructure and planning history of the site
 - views of statutory and other consultees
 - legitimate public concern or support expressed on relevant planning matters
- 6. The planning system operates in the long term public interest. It does not exist to protect the interests of one person or business against the activities of another. In distinguishing between public and private interests, the basic question is whether the proposal would unacceptably affect the amenity and existing use of land and buildings which ought to be protected in the public interest, not whether owners or occupiers of neighbouring or other existing properties would experience financial or other loss from a particular development.

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- ii) The second option to bring forward new settlements within Moray is not likely to be justified in terms of likely levels of demand with new facilities and services unlikely to be provided timeously. A new settlement would have a substantial impact on Moray's environment. This option is not considered realistic.
- iii) The third option to promote extensive new development in the countryside outwith settlements is inefficient in terms of service provision and in the use of transport energy. It is clear however that there is a demand for new housing in the countryside and this could help to sustain rural services and facilities where provision is also made for the growth of rural businesses. There is therefore a case to allow some development, of low impact, in the open countryside.

The preferred strategic option for development is therefore Option 1, to focus new development on existing settlements. Development should be related to the settlement hierarchy with Elgin as the primary centre supported by the secondary centres of Buckie, Keith, Lossiemouth and Forres. This is the most sustainable option as these towns contain the majority of the population and are the focus of economic activity, services and the transport network. Outwith the primary and secondary centres opportunities will be provided for more local provision of development land to meet local need and support services at an appropriate scale for the settlement.

This option will also be supported by the scope to allow rural businesses and low impact housing in the wider countryside.

Strategic Aims

To achieve the preferred strategic option the Plan must set the framework for development in the light of the following aims:

- i) maintain and grow the population.
- ii) promote economic opportunities and diversify the local economy.
- iii) spread the benefits of economic growth across the community.
- iv) safeguard and enhance the environment and mitigate any impacts caused by new development.
- v) seek improved accessibility within and external to the area.
- vi) allow sensitive small scale development in rural areas.

The Development Strategy

The aims can be translated into a single strategy that brings together the broad manner of its implementation. The central pillar of the strategy is to promote economic growth whilst safeguarding and enhancing the natural and built environment, and promoting overall sustainability. The Strategy seeks to stem outmigration, attract in-migrants, build on a revised and expanded business development portfolio, support local services and to offer improved housing choice to stabilise population levels.

The coast is a valuable resource in Moray in terms of its landscape, nature conservation, recreation and tourism benefits. It is also a fragile resource that faces a range of development pressures. National Guidance (NPPG13 'Coastal Planning') requires general protection policies to be set out within Structure Plans on isolated, undeveloped and developed areas of the coastline. Within Moray there are no areas which fit the definition of isolated coastline. Therefore, the coastal area should be safeguarded from inappropriate development through the identification of a Coastal Protection Zone.

The towns and villages of Moray have grown significantly. The use of settlement boundaries maintains a clear distinction between the built up area and the countryside beyond. Inevitably the primary and secondary centres of Elgin, Forres, Lossiemouth, Buckie and Keith are subject to the highest development pressures and around each of these towns, it is appropriate to exercise control to limit development sprawl. "Countryside Around Towns" (CAT's) will be identified in the Moray Local Plan to prevent development sprawl into the countryside.

Built Environment

Moray has a rich and varied history of human habitation. The area's built heritage includes 2681 archaeological sites, 79 scheduled monuments, 1665 listed buildings, 17 conservation areas, 7 Historic Gardens and Designed Landscapes, townscapes and vernacular (local) buildings. Collectively, this heritage contributes greatly to the Moray character and provides a sense of place. The educational, tourist and recreational value of this heritage is undoubted and the quality of life is greatly enhanced by it.

The conservation, enhancement and promotion of Moray's built heritage is therefore important. In particular, this will mean safeguarding listed buildings, ancient monuments, archaeology and designed landscapes and to retaining buildings, townscapes and artefacts which are part of Moray's character and identity.

As part of this process it will be important to maintain a programme of improvement schemes in partnership with other funding bodies to tackle the worst areas in Moray's built environment which are subject to dereliction, vandalism or contamination, giving particular attention to community regeneration.

Environmental Protection

NPPG10 on "Planning and Waste Management" states that Plans should include land use policies for waste management within a strategic planning framework. The Environmental Protection Act 1990 established three separate waste management functions – waste collection, waste disposal and waste regulation. Under the provisions of the Environment Act 1995 the Scottish Environment Protection Agency was vested with the preparation of a National Waste Strategy for Scotland which was published in December 1999, and the National Waste Plan, published in February 2003, forms the keystone in the implementation of the National Waste Strategy. The subsequent Area Waste Plan, published in March 2003, forms part of the National Waste Strategy and sets out the proposals for providing a framework for sustainable waste management.

There will be a presumption against development which is likely to sterilise significant workable reserves of mineral resources, prime quality farmland and preferred areas for forestry planting.

POLICY 2: ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCES

The Moray Structure Plan Strategy will be supported by: -

- a) protecting international, national and local nature conservation and scenic designations from inappropriate development;
- b) protecting the wider natural environment and local biodiversity from inappropriate development and promote opportunities for environmental enhancement and restoration where possible;
- c) Working in partnership with the Cairngorms National Park Authority and other interested parties to implement the objectives of the National Park.
- d) restricting development within coastal areas outwith settlements to only that in which social and economic benefits outweigh environmental impact;
- e) providing protection from development to the countryside around the towns of Elgin, Buckie, Keith, Forres and Lossiemouth;
- f) conserving and enhancing the areas built heritage resources and their settings.
- g) supporting proposals aimed at regenerating the area's natural and built environment including good design;
- h) providing waste management facilities to deliver Area Waste Plan and National Waste Plan objectives and ensuring that new development is designed to facilitate sustainable waste management practices and promotes the minimisation of waste;
- i) promoting sustainable urban drainage systems(SUDS) in all new developments;
- j) promoting schemes to alleviate flooding in a sustainable and sensitive way using natural ecosystems and features where possible and also restricting development within flood risk areas following the guidance set out in the Risk Framework in SPP7: 'Planning and Flooding' and promoting flood risk management schemes to tackle flooding that threatens existing development and considering development proposals against the Flood Risk Framework set out in Table 5.
- k) safeguarding the area from pollution and contamination,
- I) promoting opportunities for the sensitive development of renewable energy and promoting renewable energy in new development.
- m) safeguarding resources for the production of minerals, preferred forestry areas, and prime quality agricultural land.

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Development proposals within Conservation Areas will require to be submitted as full detailed planning applications and will be refused if they adversely affect the character or appearance of the Conservation area in terms of scale, height, materials, colour, detailed design and use.

All development within a Conservation Area should preserve or enhance the established traditional character and appearance of the area.

Development proposals involving the demolition of buildings within a Conservation area will be refused unless the building is considered not to make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the area. Where redevelopment is proposed, consent to demolish will only be granted where there are acceptable proposals for the site. Conditions will be attached to any planning permission/conservation area consent prohibiting demolition until contracts have been let for the redevelopment of the site.

Boundary walls, fences and ground surfaces must relate to the individual building and to the established amenity of the Conservation area. Boundary walls and fences will not be permitted over the height of 1 metre in the interests of existing character, amenity and safety unless the character of the area suggests otherwise.

Shop Fronts and Security Devices

Shops in conservation areas should retain original signs where possible. Where archive drawings and/or photography exists the Council will encourage the reinstatement of the original shop fronts which have been lost. New shop fronts must be designed in relation to the whole elevation of a building so that the new shop front relates to established doors and windows; floor height and vertical alignment of buildings. They should be constructed in materials appropriate to the original building and be of painted timber construction. Security devices in the form of removable and/or fold away grilles are preferred although perforated roller shutters will be permitted provided that box devices do not project beyond the building line.

Satellite Dishes and Other Fittings

The Council will approve in principle external fixtures to important buildings, which are deemed to be essential to the use of that building e.g. satellite equipment, TV aerials, telecommunication cables, security boxes, CCTV where they do not adversely affect the character or fabric of the building.

Advertisements

Advertising within Conservation Areas will be permitted where it is sensitive to the historic nature of the area. New signage should respect the historic fascia line and height on the adjoining properties and be finished in a matt non reflective finish.

Illumination will only be permitted where an appropriate discreet projecting light source can be provided. No internally illuminated signage will be permitted. Projecting hanging signs should be fixed at fascia level and if illuminated this should be provided with a discreet projecting light source. Projecting light sources and internal illuminated signs will not be permitted. Internal illuminated plastic fascias will only be permitted if no alternative solution can be found.

Article 4 Directions

The Council may apply to the Secretary of State for Article 4 Directions for its conservation areas which will permit the Council to require planning applications for matters otherwise classed as permitted development.

JUSTIFICATION:

Conservation areas are areas of special architectural or historic interest where it is desirable to preserve or enhance the character or appearance of the area. The aim of this policy is to preserve and enhance Moray's Conservation Areas. There are Conservation areas in Archiestown, Berryhillock, Buckie, Cullen, Elgin, Findhorn, Findochty, Fochabers, Forres, Garmouth, Keith, Kingston, Portknockie and Whitemire.

The demolition of even a single building and construction of a new building in its place could result in the character or appearance of a Conservation Area being affected.

The Council may apply for Article 4 Directions in Conservation Areas to control permitted development rights such as replacing traditional windows and doors and painting external walls. These works if carried out unsympathetically can erode the character of a Conservation area.

If a building in a Conservation area has fallen into a state of disrepair then a positive attempt should be made to retain, restore or convert the building before proposals to demolish are seriously investigated.

CONFORMS TO:

This policy conforms to NPPG18 Planning and the Historic Environment; Planning (Listed Building's and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997 - Part II Section 64; and the Memorandum of Guidance on Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas

POLICY CROSS REFERENCE/ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE:

Policy IMP1: Development Requirements.

POLICY IMP1: DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

New development will require to be sensitively sited, designed and serviced appropriate to the amenity of the surrounding area. It must meet the following criteria:

- the scale, density and character must be appropriate to the surrounding area, a.
- the development must be integrated into the surrounding landscape, b.
- adequate roads, public transport, and cycling and footpath provision must be c. available, at a level appropriate to the development,
- adequate water, drainage and power provision must be made, d.
- sustainable urban drainage systems should be used where appropriate, in all new e. developments
- f. there must be adequate availability of social, educational, healthcare and community facilities.
- the development should, where appropriate, demonstrate how it will incorporate g. renewable energy systems and sustainable design and construction. Supplementary Guidance will be produced to expand upon some of these criteria,
- provision for the long term maintenance of public landscape and amenity areas must h. be made,
- conservation of natural and built environment resources must be demonstrated, i.
- appropriate provision to deal with flood related issues must be made, including the į. possibility of coastal flooding from rising sea levels and coastal erosion,
- k. pollution, including ground water must be avoided,
- appropriate provision to deal with contamination issues must be made, and l.
- the development must not sterilise significant workable reserves of minerals, prime m. quality agricultural land, or preferred areas for forestry planting.
- where appropriate, arrangements for waste management should be provided. n.

JUSTIFICATION

The quality of development in terms of its siting, design and servicing is a priority consideration within the Plan. In the first instance development needs to be suitable to the surrounding built and natural environment. Development should be adequately serviced in terms of transport, water, drainage, power, facilities. Particular emphasis is placed on providing pedestrian, cycle and public transport access to the development, and the use of sustainable urban drainage systems and the incorporation of renewable energy equipment and systems, and sustainable design and construction into the development in order to promote sustainability within Moray. Flooding is an important consideration particularly within the Laich of Moray and needs to be adequately addressed. Similarly, pollution issues in relation to air, noise, ground water and ground contamination must be adequately addressed to provide proper development standards.

CONFORMS TO:

The policy conforms to SPP1 on the Planning System and to national planning guidance and advice generally

POLICY CROSS REFERENCE/ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE:

Other policy requirements generally.

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safeguard historic assets through development plans and development management decisions. The Scottish Government's policy on the historic environment and guidance on relevant legislation is set out in the Scottish Historic Environment Policy (SHEP). This SPP, the SHEP and the Managing Change in the Historic Environment guidance note series published by Historic Scotland should be taken into account by planning authorities when preparing development plans and determining applications for listed building consent, conservation area consent or planning permission for development which may affect the historic environment¹⁶. Developers should also take Government policy and guidance on the historic environment into account when forming development proposals. Relevant legislation includes the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservations Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997, the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979, the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006, the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973¹⁷ and the Protection of Military Remains Act 1986.

- 111. The historic environment includes ancient monuments, archaeological sites and landscape, historic buildings, townscapes, parks, gardens and designed landscapes and other features. It comprises both statutory and non-statutory designations. The location of historic features in the landscape and the patterns of past use are part of the historic environment. In most cases, the historic environment (excluding archaeology) can accommodate change which is informed and sensitively managed, and can be adapted to accommodate new uses whilst retaining its special character. However, in some cases the importance of the heritage asset is such that change may be difficult or may not be possible. Decisions should be based on a clear understanding of the importance of the heritage assets. Planning authorities should support the best viable use that is compatible with the fabric, setting and character of the historic environment. The aim should be to find a new economic use that is viable over the long term with minimum impact on the special architectural and historic interest of the building or area.
- 112. Development plans should provide the framework for the protection, conservation and enhancement of all elements of the historic environment to allow the assessment of the impact of proposed development on the historic environment and its setting. Setting is more than the immediate surroundings of a site or building, and may be related to the function or use of a place, or how it was intended to fit into the landscape or townscape, the view from it or how it is seen from around, or areas that are important to the protection of the place, site or building. When preparing development plans or considering development proposals with a potentially significant impact on historic character, planning authorities should consider the capacity of settlements and the surrounding areas to accommodate development without damage to their historic value. Authorities should also consider whether further and more detailed assessment is required to establish the capacity of an area for and its sensitivity to change. Relevant assessments include conservation area appraisals, townscape audits and landscape character assessments. When significant elements of the historic environment are likely to be affected by development proposals, developers should take the preservation of this significance into account in their proposals. The amount of information and analysis required should relate in scale to the possible impact on the historic environment.

Listed Buildings

113. Listed buildings are buildings of special architectural or historic interest. The term building includes structures such as walls and bridges. Listing covers the whole of a building including its interior and any ancillary structures within its curtilage that were constructed before 1 July 1948. Works which will alter or extend a listed building in a way which would affect its character or its setting and demolition works require listed building consent. Works requiring listed building consent may also require planning permission. More information on listed building consent is provided in SHEP. The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Act 1997 requires planning authorities, when determining applications for planning permission or listed

¹⁶ Circular 9/2009 Withdrawal and Replacement of the Memorandum of Guidance on Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas

¹⁷ Changes to legislation on the protection of wrecks are proposed as part of the Marine (Scotland) Bill

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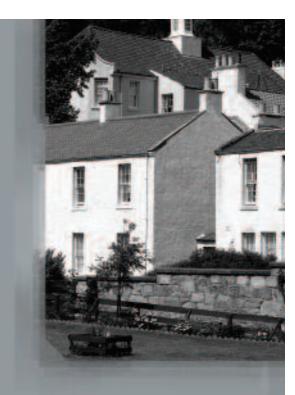


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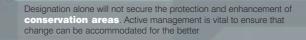
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CONSEIVATION

Area Management





When effectively managed, conservation areas can anchor thriving communities, sustain cultural heritage, generate wealth and prosperity and add to quality of life. To realise this potential many of them need to continue to adapt and develop in response to the modern-day needs and aspirations of living and working communities. This means accommodating physical, social and economic change for the better.

Physical change in conservation areas does not necessarily need to replicate its surroundings.

The challenge is to ensure that all new development respects, enhances and has a positive impact on the area. Physical and land use change in conservation areas should always be founded on a detailed understanding of the historic and urban design context.

Whilst the scope for new development may be limited in many conservation areas, all will present some opportunities for enhancement. Most will contain buildings, vacant sites or inappropriate street furniture that have a negative impact on the character and appearance of the area. These represent opportunities for improvement and when managed effectively, can act as a catalyst for economic, community and environmental regeneration.

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Extracts from Scottish Historic Environment Policy (SHEP) and related Guidance Notes on Extensions and Roofs



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- b. use a range of techniques and mechanisms such as the Welcome Pack to make relevant information available as widely as possible and pursue a programme to tell people about the process and operational programmes of listing;
- c. publish and regularly update guidance on listing, particularly for the owners and occupiers of listed property;
- d. review operational programmes of work regularly in consultation with stakeholders;
- e. make its decision-making process transparent; and
- f. keep policy and process for listing under review.

Conservation Areas

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTEXT

- 2.37. Conservation areas are defined as 'areas of special architectural or historic interest the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance'. All planning authorities are required from time to time to determine which areas meet this definition and to designate them as conservation areas. Conservation areas embrace the urban and rural: from the historic cores of our cities to isolated rural settlements or landscapes there is a wide range of historic places which might be designated as a conservation area.
- 2.38. Scottish Ministers have the power to determine, after consultation with the planning authority, that an area should be a conservation area and to designate accordingly. This is a reserve power which will be used only exceptionally.
- 2.39. Once a planning authority has decided to designate a conservation area, notice of the designation must be published in the Edinburgh Gazette and at least one local newspaper (see Note 2.20).
- 2.40. Scottish Ministers, at the same time as the designation is advertised, must be notified formally of the designation of conservation areas and provided with a copy of the published notice, together with a copy of the designation map and a list of the street names (see Note 2.21).
- 2.41. Planning authorities may also vary or cancel conservation areas already designated (see Note 2.22).
- 2.42. Every planning authority is required to compile and keep available for public inspection a list containing appropriate information about any area in its district which has been designated as a conservation area.
- 2.43. Planning authorities have a duty to submit their proposals for the preservation and enhancement of conservation areas for consideration to a local public meeting and should, when preparing schemes of preservation and enhancement, seek the advice and views of local residents and amenity groups.

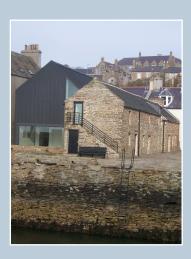
Managing Change in the Historic Environment



Extensions







Key Issues

1. Most historic buildings can be extended sensitively.
Listed building consent is required for any works
affecting the character of a listed building and
planning permission may be required in a conservation
area.

2. Extensions:

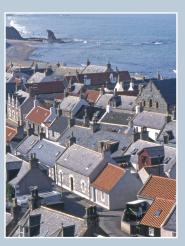
- must protect the character and appearance of the building;
- should be subordinate in scale and form;
- should be located on a secondary elevation;
- must be designed in a high-quality manner using appropriate materials.
- 3. Planning authorities give advice on the requirement for listed building consent, planning and other permissions.

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Roofs









Graded stone slates, laid in diminishing courses from the bottom to the top of the roof. Associated features incude crowstepped gables, a corniced chimney and a decorative dormerhead dated 1694. Elgin, Moray. © N. Haynes.



A traditional iron rooflight set into a West Highland slate roof. The small size, low profile and 'portrait' format are typical characteristics.

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Repairs

4.4 Wherever possible the repair of historic roofs should be carried out in traditional materials to match the existing. Replication of the type, dimensions, pattern and coursing of materials is important to maintaining the character of the roof. The use of slate, lead and other traditional materials not only protects the character and appearance of a building, but with regular maintenance they can also be extremely durable. Associated features, such as rainwater goods and chimneys, should also be repaired or renewed using appropriate traditional materials.

Alterations

4.5 New work should normally match the original as closely as possible. The alteration of a roof can create additional space to allow the building as a whole to remain in use and develop with the needs of the occupants. In considering how to alter a roof it is important to understand the impact of the works on the roof itself and the appearance of the building or street as a whole. The potential for cumulative effects of similar developments should also be considered.

Slate

- 4.6 It is recognised that Scottish slate is not currently in production and that second-hand supplies are limited. Where possible, existing slates should be re-dressed and reused. If it is necessary to specify new natural slate, regard should be given to finding the best modern equivalent in terms of colour, thickness, weight and texture of slate. Artificial slate or concrete tiles are not normally acceptable because they rarely match the durability and weathering qualities of natural slate.
- 4.7 If new slate is needed to make up a shortfall, it should be laid in the same way in terms of graded lengths and random widths, and older slates should be consolidated in more conspicuous parts of the roof.

Dormers and rooflights

4.8 Early historic dormers should be retained. The addition of new features to principal or prominent roof slopes should generally be avoided. New dormers and rooflights should be appropriately designed and located with care.

Ventilation

4.9 Ventilation of roofspaces is essential to avoid a build-up of damp. This can normally be achieved by means of discreet ventilators under the eaves or through redundant chimney flues. Where ventilation is required directly through the roof covering, the ventilators should be minimal in number, carefully selected to fit flush with the surrounding roof covering, and located to minimise their impact. Breathable materials are available for use beneath the final roof covering.

Fixtures and renewable energy developments

4.10 New roof fixtures, such as satellite technology, should be located where they will not detract from the appearance of the building. In general, where new fixtures are proposed to be located on a roof, they should be carefully sited to avoid being visible from ground level or breaking the profile of the roof or chimneys. Separate guidance on small-scale renewable energy developments and external fixtures is available in Historic Scotland's Managing Change in the Historic Environment: Micro-Renewables guidance note.

Reinstatement

4.11 Where a roof has previously been altered, consideration should be given to the reinstatement of traditional materials and original form, particularly where roofs have been badly altered, for example by the addition of concrete tiles that are too heavy for the supporting structure.

Roof extensions

4.12 Removal of a historic roof and replacement with an additional storey, or storeys, should only be considered where the existing roof is not of significance to the character of the building, and the new work will form a similarly subsidiary feature. Roof extensions involving the removal of a serviceable historic interior to provide structural support should not be proposed. A roof extension may not fit comfortably where long views are important to the profile of a building. Where streets are narrow, the buildings are tall, and the new work is recessed from the wallhead, the visual impact of a roof extension is likely to be less.

Chimneys

4.13 Historic chimneys can make an important contribution to the character of a roof and should be retained. Where repair is required, this should respect the original form and materials. If the structural stability of the chimney is unsound, like for like reconstruction should be encouraged.

5. ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- 5.1 Proper repair and maintenance of historic roofs and associated features using appropriate and compatible materials and construction techniques is generally the most sustainable course of action. Historic Scotland publishes several practical guides and technical advice on maintaining various types of historic roof, details are given at the end of this leaflet.
- 5.2 Energy efficiency can normally be improved significantly without damage to historic character by insulation of the roofspace.

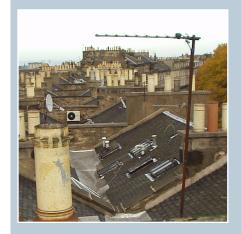
 However, it is important to retain adequate ventilation to prevent the build-up of moisture in this area.



Badly designed box dormers detract from the classical proportions and elegant detailing of this late 18th-century house.



Sample panel prepared to ensure appropriate grading and random widths in the laying of new slate, with a fire-damaged Perthshire slate from Morgan Academy, Dundee.



Aerials, vents, rooflights, satellite dishes and air conditioning units located in roof valleys to minimise impact.