

PLANNING APPLICATION REF. 20/00587/FULM

**DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT:
EXTENSION OF PITAIRLIE QUARRY FOR THE EXTRACTION OF HARD
ROCK INCLUDING THE RESTORATION OF THE LAND AND
RESTORATION OF THE EXISTING PITAIRLIE QUARRY**

AT

PITAIRLIE QUARRY MONIKIE DUNDEE DD5 3PZ

REPRESENTATIONS

Comments for Planning Application 20/00587/FULM

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Case Officer: Ruari Kelly

Customer Details

Name: Iain Richmond

Address: Guildy House Kirkton of Monikie Monikie, Broughty Ferry DD53QL

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Community Council

Stance: Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Members of Monikie and Newbigging Community Council have unanimously agreed to post on the Angus Council Planning portal the following comments, relating to the planning application by Denfind Stone (ref; 20/00587/FULM).

"On the 15th Sept 2020 the Monikie and Newbigging Community Council posted on our Facebook page, notification of the planning application by Denfind Stone to relocate and extend their quarry workings to the north of the present quarrying site.

We provided contact details for residents and interested parties which included links to the online Planning application, contact details of the Agents dealing with the application and an open invitation from the owners to supply any information that may be requested by Parishioners. Comments were invited from the public so that we could gauge opinion.

We also posted details and links on our Community Council Notice Boards in both villages.

Our Facebook post reached 492 people, had 190 engagements, 3 shares, 10 'likes' and 21 comments.

There were 4 objections to the application on our Facebook page to date from local residents and 1 requesting further information which was provided by Denfind Stone. We had 1 comment (objection) sent to our email contact address.

From a purely statistical point of view the 5 objections to the proposal represents 2.6% of those

who engaged with the post and 1% of those reached by it.

We present these findings to the Planning Committee for their consideration."

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Paul Scullion

Address: 7, Elmgrove Park Monikie DD5 3QW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have no objection to the planning application but feel the public consultation process was extremely poor.

I am not on Facebook and knew nothing of the application until a few days ago. There is a community council notice board at the cafe in the village and yet no notice of the planning application in it. From the public comments, it appears that the planning application is known as far afield as Stratford -on-Avon, so surely getting the message out to the local village shouldn't be so hard?

Public meetings are not possible with Covid but it would have been good to have more information on the problem with dust from the quarry. The existing monitors are based on sampling for seven days and then analysis at a lab. Sample from DP1, to the north of the existing quarry, show high or very high 'dust impact risks' around 20% of the time in certain directions. These figures must be an average and take into account non-working hours. It would be more useful to see measurements made during working hours when risk is highest. In the Dust Measurement plan there seems to be provision for a 3 month trial with a real time dust analyser which could perhaps give such measurements. I think these should be available for public scrutiny.

KellyR

From: PLANNING
Sent: 08 October 2020 09:11
To: KellyR
Subject: FW: Planning Application No. 20/00587/FULM - Pitairlie Quarry, Monikie

From: Caroline Erolin
Sent: 07 October 2020 16:42
To: PLANNING
Subject: Re: Planning Application No. 20/00587/FULM - Pitairlie Quarry, Monikie

Hi there,

I've been talking to someone else about this matter and have found that the quarry isn't so much to be extended but rather the site moved to follow the stone. I would therefore like to withdraw my opposition please. I won't be commenting in favour but happy to remain neutral.

If you could confirm if this is possible that would be great.

Many thanks,

Caroline

Sent from my iPhone

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Erin Smith

Address: Brawnookie Craigton of Monikie Dundee DD5 3QN

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I would like to note my objection to the above planning. My main concerns is of the long term impact it will have on our peaceful rural village. I fear it will decrease the value of our properties also. With the expansion there will likely be increased traffic and HGVs using the roads which I worry about the safety for cycling/riding on the roads.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Samantha McIntyre-Sludden

Address: 35 Broomwell Gardens Monikie Broughty Ferry DD53QP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I would like to express my objection of the proposed plans of the extension of Pitairlie quarry.

As a resident of Monikie, I very much care about keeping this village a peaceful and rural place to live. Not introducing large industrial expansions that will have an impact on our way of life, our roads, our wildlife, our house prices and the safety of our children.

I hope the views of the community who live here are taken into account as this will drastically change Monikie Village and its history - not for the better.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Karen Harbison

Address: The Veldt Monikie DD5 3QA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a resident of this small rural village, I object.

The village enjoys a beautiful rural location, with the country park, wildlife and peaceful setting. The planning application is a significant extension - doubling the current size of the quarry which will encroach on the village, many houses and the village hall are within distance to be affected, but I believe the impact of noise and dust will affect many more. Regardless of Environmental Impact Assessment; a quarry by its very nature is noisy, dusty and an eye sore to the countryside.

Planning permission has been sought over the years 2004, 2008, 2011 and 2018 and now again in 2020 for a 50-year plan over 3 phases. When will planning stop? A 50-year plan is excessive.

I appreciate that people work at the quarry, but I see no benefit to the actual village only the negative impacts such de-valued houses, quiet rural living ruined and damage to the countryside. I did not move to Monikie to be next to an industrial quarry. I believe this expansion will only be of benefit to the few, not the majority of the village.

During this unprecedented time of COVID-19 it is difficult for the Community Council to hold a public face to face meeting but given the size and nature of this planning request, I do not believe Facebook alone is a sufficient means to gain the village thoughts and views (many are not on Facebook). Given the nature of this planning request that will have repercussions for the village for a lifetime more should be done to ensure the views of the village are collated.

There are also members who sit on the Community Council that will gain financially from this planning request.

I also note most comments that support this expansion are from people who do not live in the village.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Maggie McKendry

Address: Balhill House Panmure Estate Carnoustie DD7 6LW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I feel that insufficient public consultation has been sought especially due to the Covid restrictions. I have reservations about the increase of noise, dust and traffic in and around Monikie village. Although the environmental reports have been provided - I would question whether on-the-spot noise measurements are accurate of a normal working week. In addition the noise measurement have been provided on the existing smaller site and these will increase with a larger site.

I feel more time should be given prior to this application being decided and a local public information session should be provided to educate locals on the potential impact of a 50 year license for this quarry in the new and larger location.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Brigitte Edelston EDELSTON

Address: 3 Elmgrove Park Monikie Near Broughty Ferry DD5 3QW 3

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Community Council

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Lack of clarity regarding the impact on wild life, close private properties in relation to destabilizing rock extraction. This is likely to increase traffic on a dangerous road which unfortunately was the cause of 3 fatal accidents since we moved in, since 1991. Noise and air pollution are also going to increase. Consultation of Monikie residents should take place.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr James Kay

Address: Hamewith Monikie Dundee DD5 3PZ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Impact on Adjacent Property - From our property Hamewith at the west boundary fence, we overlook Denfind Stone buildings and work yard. Whenever heavy yard work is taking place we can hear the disturbing noise from our property. With the proposed extension of Pitairlie quarry we shudder to think of the day to day noise and explosions we will endure when stone quarrying work is taking place.

Excavation Work - As the owners of Hamewith we have serious concerns over heavy underground vibrations due to rock extraction that may have a serious impact on the foundations of our bungalow.

Visual Impact - Our west outlook includes beautiful views of the Sidlaw hills that will be impaired by the construction of the proposed 3m high bund.

Privacy - Presently we enjoy the quiet afforded by Hamewith location in the countryside that we feel will be lost by the proposed quarry extension.

Road Safety and Traffic - There is bound to be increased traffic movements of HGV vehicles on the B961 adjacent to our property Hamewith and also on Panmure Road where there is an increased danger when crossing the road from our rear gate over to Monikie Village Hall.

It is understood that our comments are of a personal nature but this is due to the proximity of the proposed quarry extension and our home. We do feel that discussions with Monikie residents would also be very welcome.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Lesley Dorman

Address: Lismore Monikie Angus DD5 3PZ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I wish to object to this planning application. I would invite the Angus Council to refuse it, and in the event that they are not minded to do so, then I would request that consideration is given to the duration of the permission and possible mitigations which could be put in place to benefit the community.

The basis of my objection is set out below. However, I would first like to raise a preliminary point about consultation with the village. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic the community council has been unable to convene and whilst some information has been available on social media, many in the village do not have access to that medium and remain largely in the dark about the proposed development. I understand that the community council have sought support from Cllr Cheape who advised the Council will do no more than post the statutory notices and has suggested that concerned individuals should themselves meet the cost of a leaflet drop or something similar. I do not consider that appropriate and request that the Council support the community council to perform a proper community consultation as set out in paragraph 3 of Angus Council's scheme for the establishment of Community Councils.

https://www.angus.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/community_councils/scheme_for_the_establishment_of_community_councils

My own grounds for objection are as follows:

1. The impact on adjacent property will be significant. The planning application will bring the quarry to the very boundary of the village. Similar developments in other areas have resulted in a loss of

property value of between 25 and 40% and have made affected areas less desirable to live in. Whilst the proposed development will bring a significant profit to the owners it will cause a huge detriment to those in the local area, which is entirely inequitable; there seems no benefit or gain to the community in extending this quarry.

2. The expert reports in relation to noise and dust have been instructed and paid for by the quarry owners. Whenever an expert report is sought there tends to be a bias in favour of those who pay for it, and indeed our lived experience residing next to the current site shows that it is much noisier and dustier than is predicted. We are very concerned about the health impact of the deadly silica dust. At the very least, more consideration and research is required on the impact that both noise and dust will have on those living in the village.

If consent is given, it should come with caveats that protect the residents from noise, dust and the visual impact, including but limited to:

Noise and dust to be continually measured and monitored by an independent third party on an enduring basis.

Frequent regular reviews of the EIA against the actual impact

Enforcement by the Council on the agreed measures to mitigate the visual impact; an example is our boundary with the quarry is a highly unattractive rickety heras fence and dusty weed covered bund; truly ghastly and beyond that which was agreed in previous consents.

3. There has been discussion of a camp site coming to Monikie. We worry that this proposal may be abandoned if the quarry is given the go ahead as it is unlikely that holiday makers would wish to stay next to a quarry. A campsite would be preferable as it is likely to encourage the development of infrastructure and amenities more beneficial to the local community than a quarry would.

4. The quarry will be an eyesore and will substantially change the character of the village.

5. Heavy vehicles required to service the quarry will have a detrimental effect on the condition of the road and are also likely to deter cyclists and walkers from the area. For pedestrians in the village, making their way to school, shops etc, these vehicles pose a greater risk to road safety.

Although the quarry has existed near the proposed site for some time, this proposal moves it much closer to the village. It will directly impact that community, and the value and desirability of their homes and I am concerned that there has been insufficient communication, support and consultation given the enormity of the change. This proposal, if approved, will have a profound effect on the rural community in which we live; to condemn Monikie to becoming a mining town for the next 50 years, with obvious losses to the residents but no gains for the community, is

incoherent.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Graeme Stout

Address: Tigh Na Mara Monikie DD5 3PZ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a resident in the immediate vicinity of the proposal I have concerns in relation to:

Noise - The Noise Impact Assessment states (4.4.3) that it is "desirable that noise with upper guideline at 55 dB...recognition that guideline may not be achievable... (4.3.1) "temporary but exceptionally noisy phases in the mineral extraction". Table 2 shows extraction equipment at 111 dB(A). The report states that there "shall be no residual impacts from the development in terms of noise climate". The report does not clearly state that the level of noise created has moved significantly closer to residential properties and from a deep hole to more direct line of sound.

Dust - Environmental impact of the proposal in relation to dust. The report that states that there "can be a high risk of propagation from transport" and that for existing operations that "Dust impacts were recorded up to high from every direction with occasional very high risk. With prevailing wind and current proposal I think there is a high risk of impact on the residential properties, albeit occasionally, in the immediate vicinity.

I would like to support this local business with associated benefits to its employees and the environment from more locally sourced stone and would have no objections to the current proposal if the rockhead bench were to be created along the west side and then move east, rather than on the south side and move north. With an overall excavation of 20-24m the impact of noise and dust on local residents would have a natural "wall" protecting them for the vast majority of operations.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Nick Dorman

Address: Lismore by Monikie, Angus DD5 3PZ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This proposal is to significantly expand and extend quarrying at a quiet rural location for 50 years.

Our lives as neighbours has been blighted since the quarry reopened by noise, visual impact and exposure to dust.

Whilst noise calculations and limits are set as averages in the proposed extension papers, the nature of the noise generated from the quarry is not addressed; it is highly erratic and it is that unpredictability (loud crashes and bangs) that causes unease.

The nature of this quarrying activity leads to the creation of silica dust and that dust enters the air column. Fine particle silica dust can travel significant distance once airborne, and the lethality of silica dust cannot be over emphasised, its effects include debilitating and deadly lung disease.

The visual impacts have and remain appalling; our property boundary is surrounded by a ramshackle metal fence and a dusty weed covered dirt pile, and what was once a pretty corner of Angus is now an ugly industrial site.

When quarrying activity restarted at Pitairlie after some 100 years, the plan was for surface stone to be removed over a period of a few years. Over time it has grown from a simple environmentally sound business into an industrial quarry complex which generates noise, dust and discord. This application will create a 50 year extension, and based on previous experience, might develop further into surrounding fields and woods as it will presumably follow the rock strata until exhausted. Thus, consideration by planners and neighbours must be given to the possibility of future extensions.

I object to the quiet rural community of Monikie being turned into a mining town for the next 50 years, with the consequential effects on health (through the nature of the noise and dust generated), destruction of a green field site and devaluation of property prices (recently acknowledged by a local community councillor) but with no tangible gain or benefit to the residents

and community.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs CAROL SCULLION

Address: 7 ELMGROVE PARK MONIKIE DD5 3QW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I object to this planning proposal at this time for several reasons. I only found out about this proposal from a neighbour as I am not on Facebook and there has been nothing visible in our village noticeboard (until today Oct7). There has not been sufficient communication or consultation with the local communities potentially impacted by this proposal. This is reflected in the comments presented to date consisting mainly of customers and suppliers to the applicant, which are mainly positive and extend far and wide geographically. None of them appear to live in the immediate vicinity of the quarry and are not likely therefore to be impacted by extension of its activities.

COVID restrictions are not a reason to not properly consult with the local public and residents via leaflet drops and virtual public meetings. If the applicant really wanted to reassure local residents and explain their plans they should be willing to be questioned directly through public consultation. There are so many unanswered questions that the public have not been given the opportunity to ask and have answered relating to the environmental impacts, effects upon property prices, perception of visitors and local residents to the potential impacts and the duration and limits of the planned extension. There is surely a conflict of interest with one of the owners being on the community council.

As a local resident I have questions about the ecological and environmental impacts. I am concerned the air quality and noise levels have not been accurately presented over relevant operating times or taken in areas likely to be impacted. Comments from residents indicate the reality of living close to the quarry has delivered only negative effects. Therefore until more information and consultation has taken place I do not think this plan should be approved.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Anne Garness

Address: Sparrow Croft School Lane Craigton of Monikie DD5 3QN

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I'm concerned this proposal may be detrimental to the Monikie community.

The scale of the proposed extension is significant bringing the quarry much closer to its neighbours, Monikie Village Hall and the park. The proposed scale and location may lead to an increase in noise and dust levels which would negatively impact on the amenity of the adjacent properties, country park and hall. At present, the quarry workings can be heard at times at the hall and park. It may also affect the viability of the campsite adjacent to the site which has planning approval.

Whilst the impact assessment itself states "no quarry development can be designed to have no adverse environment impacts", the predicted impact and measures have been put forward in a report instructed and paid for by the applicants. These must be scrutinised in the determination of the application.

Effective mitigation measures must be put in place to reduce the impact arising from the increased size and closer proximity to the Monikie community, village hall and park including :-

Noise and dust should be continually measured and monitored by an independent third party.

Frequent regular reviews of the EIA against the actual impact should be carried out.

Specific time limits should be put in place for carrying out the mitigating measures and construction of core path instead of "as soon as reasonably practicable" which is vague and open to interpretation.

I understand the conditions attaching to the current permission have not all been complied with. Noise and dust levels have exceeded those predicted and the landscape bunding has not been planted or maintained properly. Enforcement action must be taken if there is a failure to comply with future conditions on account of the significant impact of the proposal.

I would reiterate the concerns of other local residents that there has not been full consultation with the community which is of concern considering the potential negative impact of the proposal

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Paul Farley

Address: 28 Granary Wynd Monikie DD5 3WP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a local resident I object to the proposal in its current format for a number of reasons:

1/ Monikie is an area of natural beauty that attracts a large number of visitors throughout the year. The quarry boundary is already close to the popular country park and this will be further impacted by the closer proximity of the quarry works. The location of noise, dust and visual scarring near the park will reduce its appeal and could also negatively impact plans for additional tourism/leisure based businesses to be based in the area.

2/ A number of local properties to the north east of the proposed works will be negatively affected. The proposed 3 meter high bunds may reduce noise and dust, but will be ugly. This could be improved significantly by adding suitable vegetation to the bunds.

3/ The long term viability of the quarry must be questioned when granting a 50 year approval. Given the short term challenges of COVID and Brexit, if the significant percentage of turnover from export is impacted the quarry may no longer be commercially viable. I'd therefore expect a bond to be required from the owners as a condition to this approval, ensuring that should the business fail funds are available to reinstate the land to its prior condition. Whilst the impact assessment itself states "no quarry development can be designed to have no adverse environment impacts" I do believe more can be done to reduce the negative effects than proposed at present.

Finally I would also like to note that no public meeting has been organised as part of the consultation process. Despite COVID this could still have taken place digitally. Therefore I don't believe a full and fair consultation with the local community has taken place - many of which

remain unaware of this significant proposal.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David McGovern

Address: Rosebank Panmure Road Monikie DD5 3QA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Commenting as a member of public, living in the vicinity of the quarry.

I am also a community councillor and have occasional business dealings with Denfind Stone.

There is a tradition of winning flat-bedded sandstone from quarries in this area going back hundreds of years. The product is high quality, the safety and environmental regime is industry-leading and the company is an important local employer- and user of local services.

The layout plan looks sensible and the mitigations for noise and visibility are sound.

The extension will contribute to the Scottish government policy aim to grow a strong, vibrant and diverse economy, locally and nationally.

The building product is required here to compete with imported alternatives.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Claire Findlay

Address: 11 Teal Place Montrose DD109FP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a long serving member of staff at Denfind Stone, I'd like to lend my support to the application. I have known Alison and Brian for a number of years now, as an employee but also in my previous role. They are great employers who care about their staff and the surrounding environment and community. They go above and beyond the health and safety requirements for the quarry and the processing shed, irrespective of costs. All the decisions they take are carefully thought through.

In these times of economic uncertainty, I feel it is vital to support rural businesses who employ local people, such as myself. The extension of the quarry is not a massive expansion as its being portrayed by some, but a relocation of where we quarry.

Our stone is a beautiful product, known all over Scotland.

I am proud of where I work and fully support this application.

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Customer Details

Name: Miss Claire Hill

Address: 28 Cedar Grove Broughty Ferry Dundee DD53BW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Fraser Edmond

Address: 47 Cedar Road Broughty Ferry DD5 3BA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Good well run local business that ultimately provides a quality product to the building trade and ensureS local, traditional stone is used in building projects preserving traditional architecture.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Greg Cosgrove

Address: 13b Richmond Terrace Dundee DD2 1BQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Very organised and well run company supporting the local economy with employment and innovative products .

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Proposal: Proposed Extension of Pitairlie Quarry for the Extraction of Hard Rock including the Restoration of the Land and Restoration of the Existing Pitairlie Quarry

Case Officer: Ruari Kelly

Customer Details

Name: Mr William Pennycook

Address: 27 Craigie View Perth PH20DP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Fantastic business, we should be doing everything to support and help, particularly in these very difficult times.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Aileen Jackson

Address: 10 Mariner St Carnoustie DD7 6BB

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I would definitely support this application. In this severe economic climate it can only be advantageous to see a company expand its success, promoting local jobs and industry.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Lynn Cameron-Thomson

Address: 34 Mailer Way Perth PH2 0GE

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: In full support. Having used this excellent company for a previous project I couldn't recommend them highly enough. It was important for us to use a local company with local products and Denfind Stone were a perfect example to fit this requirement.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Marcus Paine

Address: West Fishwick Near Hutton Berwick upon Tweed. Scottish Borders TD15 1XQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This application should be supported with the appropriate conditions for proper operation. The material produced at this site has a significant history across Scotland and further afield and the choice is either support properly operated indigenous material supply such as this or accept imported materials and the Carbon and Ethical concerns that they bring. Support local employment, circular/rural economy and materials that contribute directly to our built heritage.

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Customer Details

Name: Dr M Jones

Address: School Of Science And Engineering. Fulton Building Dundee DD1 4HN

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am working with Denfend on a Construction Scotland Innovation Centre research project to develop a new thin stone cladding that can be used for sustainable and affordable housing in Angus and elsewhere. The extension will allow them to produce these materials into the future and provide architects and buildings with enhanced choices for cladding.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Rehan Baig

Address: 2 Clayhills grove Dundee Dd2 1nf

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Miss Claire Milne

Address: 12 Grey Row Ruthvenfield Perth PH1 3JR

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: At times like this it is great to see local businesses working hard to produce quality local product and employ and train locally.

Having used their product for a fireplace, I have found Denfind stone a reliable conscientious and professional business and wish the well for their future

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Muriel Buick

Address: 30 Breakers Way Dalgety Bay KY119LZ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Fully support this application, it will benefit the local and national economy. At such an unsettling and unstable economic time we should be looking to support businesses especially those who are looking to expand.

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Customer Details

Name: Miss Mairi Milne

Address: 25 Piperdam Drive Dundee DD2 5LY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I support this application from an award winning local company which provides jobs and boosts the local economy.

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Customer Details

Name: Lesley Grossett

Address: 8 Camus Place Monikie Angus Dd5 3qt

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Totally support this. Denfind is a key employer in this area and vital to this rural economy. Their stone is excellent & have used at our property. It is so positive seeing a company wanting to expand especially at this time.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Struan Baptie

Address: Annat house Rait Perthshire PH2 7SB

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a customer of Denfind stone, their plan looks well thought out and very sensible. Their extension will cement and provide more jobs locally which is vital in these uncertain times. The quarry extension will allow a beautiful local product to be used within this area and nationally. We must use local stone, which exists within Denfind to prevent cheaper foreign imported stone flooding the market.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr James Millar

Address: Kellyfield Arbirlot Arbroath DD11 2NY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Alison Millar

Address: Kellyfield Arbirlot Arbroath DD11 2NY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Scott Jarron

Address: 6 Harley Street BROUGHTY Ferry Dundee Dd5 3ad

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:A much needed business with future plans.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Douglas Bett

Address: 30 Elcho Drive Broughty Ferry Dundee DD53TB

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: THIS IS A VERY WELL RUN FAMILY BUSINESS THAT SUPPORTS ITS LOCAL ECONOMY AND ALSO PROVIDES EMPLOYMENT TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. AN EXTENSION WOULD ONLY CREATE MORE SCOPE FOR LOCAL EMPLOYMENT

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Customer Details

Name: Mr PAUL DUDDY

Address: C/O LINDSAYS 100 QUEEN STREET GLASGOW G13DN

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone is an independent quarry operator that is a forward looking environmentally considerate company and does everything in its ability to operate in a safe and sustainable manner. We know Denfind Stone already actively take measures to reduce their operating impact in addition to the proposals noise and visibility mitigation plans. As well as this the company is producing a high quality product that benefits the local area through job retention and expansion. The building material sourced in Scotland is needed and can be sold nationally and internationally further benefiting the economy and reducing the need for imported materials.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Craig Sinnamon

Address: 79 Octavia Terrace Greenock pa16 7px

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a supplier of this fantastic local, and very well run, business I would wholeheartedly support this application.

We work with Denfind Stone on their innovative and very high quality stone cladding product, which has a great number of exciting applications within the construction sector.

The core value within both of our businesses is ensuring environmental impact within the construction sector is minimised, as this is something we passionately believe in.

In this current climate I would suggest that supporting local businesses who can produce products that are native to Scotland and have long standing architectural history within the country is infinitely preferable to the alternative of importing these products internationally.

Further to this, it can surely only be a good thing to support local businesses who have long standing roots in their local communities and provide valuable employment to local people.

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Customer Details

Name: Ross Anderson

Address: 56 Bellevue gardens Arbroath Arbroath Dd115bg

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I fully support this application.

A great local family business creating employment and producing local natural building materials for the local area.

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Customer Details

Name: Martin Braithwaite

Address: 10 Cairnwell Loan Broughty Ferry DD5 3XJ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Although I live relatively local I do not live adjacent to the quarry or in the nearby village and therefore can't comment on daily operational matters which I imagine will be heavily regulated by bodies such as the HSE & EA.

My support of this application is two fold based on the need for diverse employment opportunities not just in rural communities but across Scotland as a whole and also in the belief that the use of high quality local building materials should be procured whenever possible to maintain aesthetics and traditions. We import too many sandstone products from the other side of the world when we have the resources and skills to produce equal or better grades of material right here in Scotland and eliminate unnecessary shipping.

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Customer Details

Name: Andrew Dandie

Address: Ballinshoe Smiddy Kirriemuir DD8 5QF

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Great to see a sustainable local business looking to expand their operations in Angus and create much needed jobs especially in these uncertain times.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr John Macdonald

Address: 132 Bonnygate Cupar Ky15 4LF

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I was resident in the Monikie area for about 20 years until recently. I have used Denfind stone in several private projects. I thoroughly researched the background and ethos of that company and found the business and the product to be of the highest quality. A feature of the service of this company was the genuine desire to ensure that the product provided was appropriate for purpose and an unusual level of support provided in that and other areas.

I was also struck by the obvious concerns for the immediate area of the quarrying and stone cutting operations and also the environment as a whole.

I give this application my wholehearted and unreserved support.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Gordon Adam

Address: Downiemill Farm Newbigging Angus DD53RL

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone is a progressive, innovative company which is creating vital local jobs. Their new development should be strongly supported by the community

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Customer Details

Name: Ms S Stuart

Address: Monifieth House Albert Street Monifieth DD5 4JS

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I would like to add my support to the above application. As someone who works within the construction/property industry, I am aware of the importance of using locally sourced materials, to use products that are environmentally and sustainably produced. The need to help construction within our own community and further afield to be carried out with lower environmental impact and smaller carbon footprint. The benefit of having a locally owned family business, with skilled local labour, who are supplying an array of quality, sustainable, locally aesthetic and complementary products is something quite rare and a real benefit to construction/projects within this area. S J Stuart MRICS.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Hazel Lowe

Address: Gamekeepers Cottage Carmyllie Arbroath DD11 2QT

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I write in support of the above application.

As a local resident and supporter of the local community, where my children went to school, I feel rural businesses need to be encouraged and helped to bring employment to the area.

The use of local materials needs to be encouraged, especially in today's climate, and our household has in fact used Denfind stone in the past, reducing road miles travelled.

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Customer Details

Name: Ms Angela Gatford

Address: 11 Norrie st Broughty ferry Dundee Dd5 2sd

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I feel that we need to support all local businesses at this time for expansion as so many other businesses are failing.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Morrison

Address: Roseneath Monikie Angus DD5 3 QA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

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Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Mike Forbes

Address: Omachie Farm Kingennie Dundee DD53RE

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I would just like to offer my support for this planning application as I believe the success of the application is pivotal for the future of their business and the future benefits my business and the community will gain from having Denfind Stone thrive through sustainability.

We use their stone on all our foundations and elevations for our lodges,main building and executive homes at Forbes of Kingennie. On top of that all our drystone dyking whether ornamental or structural is always Denfind Stone. There is a huge saving in transport for us and if they were not there we would have such a significant amount added to haulage would have to stop using sandstone.

This application should be championed and we as a family fully endorse and support it.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr murray ross

Address: 5 sanderson place newbigging dd5 3rq

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I would like to support this application for reasons in addition to the obvious one that it will help the local community.....

1) being an extension to the existing quarry will not necessarily mean increased production at any one time but when one area of the quarry is exhausted then the owners can move onto the next phase allowing constant levels of production with no increase in volume of traffic to affect the local environment

2) the proposed extension will prevent local (and Scottish) house builders / restoration companys having to purchase 'man-made' alternatives for further afield ie South of England.

3) Allowing this extension will afford the owners a careful and considerate reinstatement of the original site but utilising existing soils nearby-again minimising carbon footprints.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Kenny Hill

Address: Woodside House Panmure Estate Carnoustie DD7 6LW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone utilise local material, they are a local employer and employ local people. They are a key contributor to the rural area and the economy of Angus. The stone is specified on many quality design projects by local authorities and architects for both new build and refurbishments.

Denfind Stone encapsulates the general principles of sustainability which underlies the planning documentation, namely: the Angus Council Plan, TAYplan Strategic Development Plan and National Framework Documents.

In addition, Denfind Stone operate extremely safely; in November 2019 they were awarded the "Institute of Quarrying for UK" Standards and Professional Health and Safety Excellence Award for Scotland and separately the UK.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Charlie Ayers

Address: Holbrook Lodge Holbrook Nr. Wincanton BA9 8BT

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I have been supplying my product (SureCav) to Denfind stone for over 12 years now and demand is growing. Denfind Stone is one of the best natural building products in its field and should be given as much support as possible to encourage this natural product to continue to be used as it has been for centuries. From experience I know the Denfind team to be very conscientious and environmentally aware and I know everything they do will fall into this category. Continuation of the quarrying of this fine natural product will not only give jobs but allow builders to continue the construction of buildings that Scotland can be proud of.

Charlie Ayers (MD) SureCav Limited

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Ross MacGregor

Address: 18 Piperdam Drive Piperdam DD2 5LY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone is a great business that supports the local economy and produces a high quality Scottish product. I would 100% support this application.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Spink

Address: 44a Hayshead Road Arbroath DD11 5AY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I support the extension of the quarry as detailed. Particularly in the current economic climate an established and successful local business should be encouraged and assisted to expand their operations which I'm sure they will continue to operate in same responsible manner.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Bob Ward

Address: 22 Bughties Road Dundee DD5 2LW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Great company, fabulous product/service and Angus Council should be supporting all local businesses at this precarious time.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Alexander Urquhart

Address: Craiglea Monikie DD5 3QN

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a close local resident to the quarry I support this application.

The vehicle movements both present and anticipated are minor. Denfind's Health and Safety standards, achievements and awards are to be celebrated.

This company use local suppliers wherever possible; transport, building work etc. Denfind's economic contribution to the county of Angus is sizeable and must be allowed to grow.

Restoration works will be guaranteed by financial bond and planning conditions. Often the areas that are left behind by quarries become an asset to the community. Look at Murton Trust outside Forfar for how this should be done. <https://www.murtontrust.org.uk/about-us/>

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Customer Details

Name: Mr James Thompson

Address: North Grange Farm Monifieth Dundee DD5 4HU

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:As a local business that has used this fantastic product in the past and plan to use it in our future growth.

We fully support this expansion to ensure the long term source of stone to be enjoyed by many for years to come.

In these uncertain times it is fantastic to see a family business investing in the local area to create jobs and secure the future of existing jobs.

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Case Officer: Ruari Kelly

Customer Details

Name: Dr Ellis Watson

Address: 21 Esplanade Broughty Ferry PH15 2PQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I've lived adjacent to the business previously in Monikie in their earlier days and always found them to be a respectful neighbour and very intune with the community. This expansion is going to bring even more job security at a time when we've never needed it more & from what I can see at no material environmental, noise or other disruption impact.

We should all be proud that there's an an innovative & successful business in the heart of our community giving jobs, making the most of our natural resources and being a commercial ambassador for the region.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Hazel Smyth

Address: 40 Aintree Road Stratford upon Avon CV37 9FU

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I fully support Denfind Stone's application to extend Pitairlie Quarry. We should be supporting local innovative businesses who are looking to expand, not only promoting local stone but supporting the local economy - to be commended in these current uncertain times.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Alistair Forbes

Address: Omachie Farmhouse Drumsturdy Road Dundee DD5 3RE

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am in full support for the extension of Pitairlie Quarry and believe that in these uncertain times we must support the expansion and growth of local businesses.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Ewan Fox

Address: 43 Whitefauld Road Dundee DD2 1RJ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Neil Young

Address: 1 Hillhead rd Monikie Carnoustie DD53QR

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I support the expansion proposal as vital to the local community. Creating jobs and putting Monikie on the map. Having worked on various construction sites and witnessed materials being imported rather than sourced locally it surely would be beneficial in this current economic climate to have quality products on our doorstep. The company is run to a very high standard environmentally and sympathetically. I fully support this community friendly family run business .

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Customer Details

Name: Miss Sheila Swan

Address: 5 Fairhill View Perth PH11RY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Any dealings I have had with Denfind Stone have been extremely positive and I have found the owners to be extremely conscientious in all matters. It is extremely important to support local businesses to develop and continue to provide employment opportunities, especially in the current climate.

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Case Officer: Ruari Kelly

Customer Details

Name: Mrs Laura Conway

Address: Thriepley House Lundie Dundee DD2 5PA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Any business that continually seeks improvement should be commended especially when rural jobs can be sustained within this award winning company. I wholeheartedly support this application because I believe it to be in the interests of employees which is of paramount importance.

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Customer Details

Name: Gerard Conway

Address: 3 Aystree 26 Victoria Road Broughty Ferry Dundee Dd51bj

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:As Project Manager for Broughty Ferry and Riverside flood protection projects the ability to source local natural stone to match the adjacent existing stone was critical factor to satisfy the aesthetics of the project's defence wall particularly in the conservation area of Broughty Ferry

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Graham Bruce

Address: Cargill Centre Aberdeen Road Laurencekirk AB30 1EY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I support the application to extend their quarry operations at Denfind. All businesses require every opportunity to survive in these challenging times and this business is no different. It has grown over the years to provide an excellent product and much required Rural Employment. The business is a regular user of our Temporary Workforce and some have been offered and taken up full-time employment.

The product Denfind Stone produce is a natural product that can be seen on many developments throughout the country and is so much more natural to look at than some of the manufactured facing stone you see on modern day buildings.

In these times of uncertainty, it is vital for small rural businesses to thrive and provide local stable employment and input into the local economy and I therefore have no hesitation in giving my support to this application.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Nesbitt

Address: Bee Hill House Beal Berwick Upon Tweed TD15 2PB

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We are customers of Denfind Stone at numerous jobs in East Lothian where their products have been specified by architects and designers.

The products they quarry and sell are of 1st class quality and support not only the building industry locally but also further afield.

In these very difficult times Denfind Stone are exactly the type of quality company that need support

Yours

David Nesbitt

Director

Prime Property Ventures Ltd

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Colin Milne

Address: 18 Craigarbel Crescent Inverbervie Montrose DD10 0SJ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This is an application to relocate an existing, well established, successful and progressive business. It's success reflects positively on Angus given that it provides the locally sourced sandstone that is in demand throughout Scotland & beyond. This relocation will provide security of extraction for the long term thus underpinning the business and securing jobs for the area. In the current climate of great uncertainty facing a large number of business across many sectors this proposal will maintain an existing well established and well run business in Angus. I have known the Directors of the business for a number of years and can see that they have a very caring and inclusive attitude when it comes to their employees and surrounding community.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Andrew Spence

Address: Pitcrocknie Village Development Jamieson Way Alyth Blairgowrie

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone have been a valued supplier to our development since day one mainly in part due to the locality of the quarry. The effort, care and attention they put in to the business makes it an easy option for selecting them. Other options were considered however they were from a lot further away including Northern Ireland which considering the current climate surely local is the way to go. I wish the team well with their application and I would love to see their stone appearing more locally as it appears to be doing, I would encourage anyone to use their product or service as the effort they put in shows. Keep up the good work Denfind!

Any decision to enhance a good local business should be encouraged.

Regards

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Katrina Suer

Address: Wildersveld, Myreside Marykirk Marykirk, Laurencekirk AB30 1XN

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We are based in the local area and have recently built our house with stone from the Denfind quarry. It is important that stone can be sourced locally for many reasons including the provision of local jobs. It also benefits the environment when stone is not having to be imported and/or hauled for many miles. Accordingly, it is important that Denfind are allowed to expand in order that they can continue to provide their products.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Reid

Address: Braeside Auchterhouse Dundee DD3 0QQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am in full support of this planning application which will help safeguard existing jobs at Denfind in what are very challenging times for local small businesses.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Stuart Wright

Address: 118 Church Street Broughty Ferry Dundee DD5 1EU

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a small business and local supplier to Denfind Stone Ltd, we at HB Rutherford & Co Ltd would support their recent planning application to extend their quarry operations into the field adjacent and reinstate the existing quarry.

Denfind Stone is a huge asset to the area and by utilizing this natural stone resource to build flood defenses and much needed affordable homes throughout Dundee, Angus, Tayside and beyond would benefit the economy as a whole.

Using this environmentally friendly Scottish stone would be a massive bonus for the area, helping reduce the regions carbon foot print by delivering local stone to builders and merchants in the district while providing stable employment in the community.

Please pass this application and help grow the economy..

Thanks, Stuart

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Customer Details

Name: Ms Caroline Bavey

Address: West Countlich Farmhouse Kindallachan PITLOCHRY PH9 0NW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I support fully this companies application. They are very good to work with, support local economy and employment. They are a pleasure to do business with and support our small business by fulfilling orders quickly and efficiently and they are very helpful. I would like to be able to see them expand as I know there is a demand for it.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr John Smith

Address: Dundas Heritable Ltd 3 David Donnelly Place Glasgow G66 1DD

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Expanding the quarry operations into the surrounding area will benefit Scotland's exportable goods and provide Scottish customers with the ability to purchase more within Scotland without relying on imported goods.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Michael Mitchell

Address: Maulesbank 55 queen street Carnoustie DD7 7BA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: It is essential that quality businesses such as this are given full backing. There is a willingness to invest here which is very encouraging.

Their product is well recognised throughout the country and they are great ambassadors for Angus and what it can produce.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Stephen Higgins

Address: 2 PITAIRLIE ROAD BROUGHTY FERRY DUNDEE DD5 3RH

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone is owned and run by a neighbouring family supporting locals in employment and creating additional and related employment. I therefore feel that if done sympathetically within our communities it can only be an asset for our villages and the economy. I would encourage business growth as in my families stewardship of Pitairlie Garage spanning 47 years we have seen too many local family businesses disappear to the detriment of our communities.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Bob Heath

Address: 8 ST. ETHELBERT STREET Hereford HR1 2NR

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

As an accredited conservation architect I have been involved in the repair of historic buildings and scheduled monuments for 40 years, covering 750 plus projects.

To carry out this specialized type of work, it is essential to have available materials which will not damage the original fabric. Old sandstone buildings are particularly sensitive if incompatible stones are used in their repair.

In order to repair Dundee Customs House using an appropriate and compatible stone, I visited every old quarry in Perthshire and Forfarshire . The original quarry source was identified, the quarry was re-opened and the building was restored. Subsequently, the quarry was closed by the Local Authority. Since that time there has not been a stone available in Britain (and to my knowledge any other country) which would be suitable for the repair of Angus buildings - until Pitairlie became available again.

This is a heritage resource.

The act of winning sandstone has to be gentle to avoid 'shocking' the geological structure, so noisy explosives are not used. The stone blocks then enter a cutting and sawing processing shed which is highly regulated by the Health and Safety Executive. This is for the protection of machine operatives as well as the immediate external environment. The fact that the processing plant is in within the quarry reduces the amount of road traffic with only finished products requiring transport off site.

All the above is essential when repair interventions are required to preserve the integrity of the Listed Buildings, as recently occurred at St Athernase in Leuchars. The renewal of the broken roof slates has been possible because Pitairlie had provided matching new slates which were unavailable anywhere else in Britain.

For new buildings this quarry is a local resource which does not require any air miles or a supply chain.

In short, not having this stone available for repair and new building works will undermine the unique character that is Angus

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Doug Binnie

Address: 6 Yewbank Avenue Broughty Ferry Dundee DD5 2SG

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Firstly, a bit of context.

I recently retired as a director from the architectural firm Nicoll Russell Studios who were commissioned by the Kirk Session of Leuchars St Athernase Church in 2014, to assist the with a two-staged project to refurbish and regenerate their existing building.

Parts of the church were constructed in 12th, 18th and 19th century and the building is exceptional in terms of its historical and architectural importance.

Listed Building Consent to carry out a series of external conservation works, was a very laborious project, given the sensitive nature of the intended works. The objectives of the first phase of the project, was to secure the structure and fabric of the building, while phase two will include preparing design solutions that will ensure the continuity and sustainability of use.

The stone slate roof coverings to the Chancel at Leuchars St Athernase Church (believed to have been historically sourced from Pitairlie Quarry), were in poor condition and once the works commenced and the scaffoldings erected, it became clear that 90% of the existing stone material could not be re-used. We had a series of discussions with our conservation architect colleagues, Fife Council Planning and Conservation personnel, the quarry technical team and representatives from Historic Environmental Scotland. It became quite clear, very quickly, that by specifying a material from a local source that would meet all the demands of the project, in terms of suitability, quality, robustness and durability, our options were extremely limited.

In fact, for a number of reasons, the consensus was that we really had no alternative other to

specify Denfind Stone. Denfind experimented with large slabs of quarried stone, through a number of innovative processes and successfully manufactured an almost unique product that virtually matches traditional stone slates. The works to create stone slab slates and authenticate their shape, proportions and profile is time consuming and involves a number of activities by various skilled tradesmen at Denfind. Historic Environment Scotland were so impressed with the outcome that they intended to commission a film, showcasing the process from the initial quarrying, to the work bench, packaging and protection and finally fixed in place.

There are a great number of buildings in Scotland, whose roofs are covered with ageing stone slates and in time these will have to deal with the same issues that faced Leuchars St Athernase Church. Denfind are to be congratulated for tackling a potential long-term problem facing the building industry and should be encouraged to persist with these ideals.

Their trialling and testing of their stone slates, from a readily available local source has been much acclaimed by the conservation profession, to the long-term benefit of the historical built environment in Angus, but also throughout Scotland. That alone is surely worthy of support.

I have visited the quarry and seen at first hand the nature of the business, the skilled craftsmen at work and the extreme care and attention that goes into quarrying, transporting and preparing the end product. Denfind ought to be congratulated for their entrepreneurship, expertise and professionalism, particularly at a time when businesses locally and nationally are struggling, and when we are all being told the extent to which the economy has been damaged and continues to be threatened.

Safeguarding and future proofing a well-established company and the source of the product it heavily depends on, does not come without challenges and risks and Denfind are facing these head on by taking progressive and pro-active action. They are to be commended.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Brian Lornie

Address: 26 Sanderson Place Newbigging Dundee DD5 3RQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I fully support this application as this is an excellently run business with health & safety and the environment a priority

They produce an excellent natural Scottish product that can be used world wide

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Martin Butler

Address: LC Packaging UK Ltd Union Street Friockheim DD11 4TD

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: In the current climate I think it is vital to support local businesses that are willing to invest and develop which is helping to secure the jobs of their workforce. The economy needs companies like Denfind Stone and should support their efforts in expansion.

Working for a supplier of Denfind Stone, I have built up a good relationship over the past number of years with them and can without hesitation be sure that they have undertaken the research required to the full.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Blair Davidson

Address: 28 Braeside Kirkton of Auchterhouse Auchterhouse Dundee DD3 0QQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: All the best to Brian, Ali and the Denfind Stone Ltd team with the planning application to Angus Council.

This should then hopefully in turn ensure the long term future of your business, securing jobs & a source of Angus sandstone to be used throughout Scotland & beyond.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Catherine Hodgson

Address: Locharbriggs Cottage Drumsturdy Road Kingennie DD53RE

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: The owners of Denfind Stone have worked hard to communicate and cooperate with the community; have generated employment and have been sensitive to the environmental effect of working in a rural area. Highly commend this application.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Garth Menzies

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I would wholeheartedly support this application on numerous grounds. Denfind as a local employer provide a necessary addition to the area. As a local builder I find it invaluable to have a good source of local stone which we use to blend in for new build and repairs to existing properties and to lose this would necessarily make it more difficult to source appropriate materials for local developments. Denfind have shown themselves to be thoughtful and considerate extractors of this resource in the past and I would see no reason for them to change their approach.

I believe that this is an important local resource and the application should be approved.

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Customer Details

Name: Steven Callander

Address: 18 Pict Avenue Inverness IV3 8LX

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone supplies local Angus sandstone to our company, throughout Scotland and nationwide I fully support the needs and requirements of the business to maintain the high level of service they provide, this in turn ensures local employment, securing jobs and longevity of the business,

There is a limited number of stone suppliers in Scotland the future of which needs to be fully supported to ensure stone appearing on our high streets and homes remains locally sourced and not imported from abroad.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr colin nottage

Address: 34 west street Helpston Peterborough PE6 7DX

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind Stone are an extremely reputable company that have invested heavily over recent years to provide exemplary employment and the future of the site is crucial to future employment

The minerals are required locally for ambitious local housing and development plans and will ensure that Scottish stone is used as integral part of these projects.

Such a significant reserve of high quality Scottish stone mineral cannot be ignored.

The restoration scheme will be beneficial to the local environment.

The company treat their health, safety, quality and environmental responsibilities with high importance and I wish to support this application.

Regards

Colin Nottage

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Graham Cowan

Address: Colvill Place Arbroath DD11 1RB

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have been involved with Denfind Stone since its beginnings and with the Binnie family for a lot longer. In my trade I have worked on many sites that use their product and the customers are always delighted with the stone and likewise the builders that use it. Brian and Alison instructed me to install a Defibrillator in the phone box outside Monikie Hall showing that they care about the community and the fact that they live next door to the quarry speaks for itself. They very much put safety first and I carry out regular testing both in the factory and in the offices. In my opinion any move to keep the continued output of Denfind Stone and therefore the continued employment of their workforce can only be a good one. Yours Sincerely Graham Cowan .
Electrician

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Bryan Addison

Address: 72 Hill Street, Monifieth Dundee DD5 4DG

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This is a nationally recognised company, who invest considerably in the local economy and community. It is vital that Angus Council not only support companies like this, but actively endorses them to achieve their goals. In these uncertain times it is very encouraging to see local companies investing to keep viable businesses trading.

I fully support their application and hope Angus Council also do so.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Gregor Brand

Address: Gilroysview 16 Dick Street Dundee, Angus DD5 2JH

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have been a Denfind supporter for many years.

I am delighted to support this planning application for the further extraction of this local, natural stone product.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Mark Gow

Address: J B Gow & Son - Building Contractor & Joiner Kettins Blairgowrie PH13 9JJ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I would like to offer support to this application. I have known and worked with Denfind Stone for well over a decade now. I have found them to be trustworthy and straightforward to deal with. This successful enterprise markets its products across the country and should be encouraged to ensure it continues to provide direct local employment and business opportunities upstream and downstream. It is better that the work and job opportunities are retained in Tayside. As a Building Contractor I rely on them as a source of good quality stone. This is a homegrown, local, business that should be encouraged and supported.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr NEIL MCEWAN

Address: MYRESIDE FARM INVERKEILOR ARBROATH DD11 5RL

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We fully support Denfind stone with this application, It is good to see a local family company continuing to move forward in the current circumstances we are all in. Having this amazing product on our door step, keeping locals in employment and supporting local suppliers can only be a great thing.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Kenneth Ramsay

Address: 17 The Old Dairy Forthill road Broughty Ferry Dd53dh

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This is a very successful local business with national Recognition.

With a looming economic meltdown any company prepared and willing to Expand should be supported. Especially as they create and support local jobs

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Customer Details

Name: Mr William Whitton

Address: Firhills House 4 Firhills Letham Grange DD11 4QZ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:

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Customer Details

Name: Mr andrew stirling

Address: upperdysart montrose DD109TQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: So pleased to see this local company ever expanding and employing more people.

Also allowing us to use stone that our fathers used to build our communities.

We now have this stone available for houses and buildings to be built in the same fashion that surrounds us with the quality that has these buildings still here after 100 years.

There has never been greater need with Brexit and this country now requiring to build from within

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Gordon Phillip

Address: 5,Strathview Dundee Rd Forfar DD8 1XA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Miscellaneous

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:We have witnessed over several years that Denfind Stone have shown great vision in developing what has proved to be a very viable sustainable business in the area and given the chance, will grow further and bring much needed employment and income to the county.

The directors of A M Phillip Ltd wish Denfind Stone success in expanding their business.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Lachlan Hutchison

Address: 49 Barns of claverhouse Dundee Dd49ra

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Having used denfind stone in the past and in fact using it next year on a new development in Carmylie I feel the need to offer my unreserved support for this planning application . The business is superbly run and local jobs are supported with it . The product is a sensation on new properties and town planners themselves love its inclusion in planning applications for new properties..... man made products do NOT ever age as well as stone , everyone knows that is a fact , and the benefits of this quarry will be felt many decades from now .. as it's undoubtedly a much more long lasting , timeless, finish and therefore massively more sustainable as buildings built with it are less likely to need torn down . The art of drystone dyking needs this stone and a lack of local available material will see that skill quickly lost in this area . The positives are abundant surrounding the owners, staff, and product of Denfind stone and we should all be behind them in my humble opinion

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Robert Shaw

Address: 49 hillside rd Cardross Dumbarton G825lu

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Denfind stone has been a long standing quality family business for many years employing a large number of people from the local area .

They produce a quality stone extremely popular with architects and builders for projects all over Scotland .

For contractors to be able to source this nearby must also be an advantage to the local economy .

It always brings a smile to my face when I travel to some far flung place and see a structure whether it be a garden wall or a mansion house built with Angus sandstone .

It makes me feel at home and proud to see a quality Scottish product.

We would like show our support for the relocation of the quarry ensuring long term survival of the business .

Bob Shaw

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Philip Mulholland

Address: Owner Denfind Plantation Monikie Angus (DD5 3QA).

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As the owner of Denfind Plantation, the site of the proposed glamping development, and an immediate neighbour, I am writing in support of this application.

Denfind Stone have been in consultation with me regarding this planning application since the end of last year, I was also invited to the online public consultation which took place in May, but I was unable to attend. However, I have subsequently visited their existing quarry site and processing plant and reviewed the plans and proposed new extraction site with them on a number of occasions.

Having taken the time to do this, I am aware that this is not an application for an expansion, but the opening of a new area and the reinstatement of the existing area of extraction. I have looked at their current noise and dust level results and the predictions pertaining to the new site, and see no cause for concern on either point. I also see no growth in road traffic as the level of stone that they are permitted to sell is not increasing. During all of my visits I found the owners to be very honest and open about their proposals for the new extraction site. I would encourage anyone who has any reservation to pick up the phone and arrange a meeting with the owners who I know they will find very informative and accommodating. This has also convinced me to apply for an extension to the planning for a further three years at the plantation site.

I am entirely comfortable with the proposed plans and have no concerns that they will have any impact on our future plans for the plantation. I therefore have no hesitation in supporting an innovative and progressive Angus company with their plans to continue the supply of an environmentally sound local product to the Scottish market.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Bruce Sheridan

Address: Mill Flat 2 Omachie Farm Drumsturdy Road DD5 3RE

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Seeing a business looking to invest and expand in the Angus area is great for the area and ecoy

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Customer Details

Name: Mr NEIL PATON

Address: 46 MONYMUSK ROAD ARBROATH DD11 2BY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have worked at Denfind Stone since April 2013 and in these uncertain times, it is vital that business projects are supported.

Our stone has been used and continues to be used on numerous projects the length and breadth of Scotland and this application will allow Denfind Stone to supply future projects with the same quality product for many years to come thus securing jobs.

Denfind Stone has won numerous awards over the last few years including Angus Family Business of the Year and most recently a nationwide Health & Safety award which demonstrates that the owners care about their staff and the surrounding area.

I have read some of the comments on the portal regarding expansion and more traffic etc, this is not the case, the Company is moving the extraction of stone to an adjacent field and restoring the existing area.

I fully support this application.

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Customer Details

Name: Mrs Gill Westwater

Address: Whiteburn Memus Forfar DD8 3TY

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I used to live locally and feel that it's great to support local rural businesses. I've been fortunate enough to use some of Denfind's products and without them I would have had to source similar products down south which would be such a shame - it's much better to buy local for so many reasons.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Ross Marshall

Address: Beatsons Building Supplies Ltd The Whins Alloa FK10 3TA

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am writing to support this application.

I have sold Pitairlie Stone, from Denfind Stone's own quarry, through my company Beatsons Building Supplies Ltd for some time. I have also chosen to clad my own new-build house with it, recognising that using a local indigenous building material is both environmentally and aesthetically advantageous.

I have found Denfind Stone to be a professional company that provide excellent customer service, a unique product and, having visited their site, display a high level of H&S practice and environmental awareness.

It is important to support small, family-run businesses such as these, as they could end up being the backbone of our local economies going forward.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr John Langley

Address: The Arns Auchterarder Ph31EJ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a Perthshire based construction firm having Denfind as a local stone supplier is a real benefit to us and many other masons and anyone involved in stonework in Perthshire, Tayside and further afield. We fully support this application to allow them to continue and grow as a business and local supplier to the construction and Civils industry.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Hill

Address: Woodside House Panmure Carnoustie DD7 6LW

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As both a local resident and employee of Denfind Stone I fully support this application.

Not only will this secure the future of the business, its 15 employees and their families (all Angus residents) but also ensure that local authorities, house builders and residents across Scotland have access to this beautiful and unique product.

The impact of mass production and globalisation is having a detrimental effect on the environment worldwide. By promoting the use of locally sourced material that is both sustainable and low carbon is an essential step in the right direction if we are to tackle the environmental issues we face today.

Health and safety is taken very seriously at Denfind. Not only do we meet the standard expected but go above and beyond. Our hard work has been recognised by the Institute of Quarrying, firstly winning the regional award followed the national award.

I would like to conclude there appears to be general misunderstanding within some of the oppositions to the application. We are not increasing production merely moving to another area to extract stone therefore comments relating to increased traffic levels, noise etc are somewhat misguided.

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Rob Niven

Address: Channel Farm Kinross Kinross Kinross KY13 9HD

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am delighted to support the proposal for the extension of Pitairlie Quarry for the extraction of local stone.

As a previous customer and future customer it is vital that we have a local source of quality stone to allow our business to expand. This type of product cannot be sourced anywhere else, and it is extremely encouraging that we have a sustainable business locally that we can use.

I would implore Angus Council to support this proposal as it is a vital asset to the construction and manufacturing supply chain. The business of Loch Levens Larder are proud to use Denfind Stone as a mark of quality.

In the period of recovery after this pandemic, it is vital that local enterprise is embraced to encourage the creation of new jobs and infrastructure for Angus and beyond.

Kind regards

Rob Niven, Loch Levens Larder, Kinross

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Sinclair

Address: 139 Denstrath View Edzell Woods Brechin DD9 7XQ

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a local stonemason and who are specialised in using Denfind Stone LTD these works that Brian Binnie and his team are trying to get through is essential for us and other stonemasons alike. We employ 6 full time members of staff and Denfind Stone's material is effectively our bread and butter. So we hope that the local authority can fully support this application which in turn helps myself and my company soldier on through these difficult times.

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Customer Details

Name: Peter Donnachie

Address: No 1 cottage Denfind monikie Brought ferry DD5 3pz

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As an original member of the staff at denfind stone I've seen it develop from a small enterprise to what it has become today . An impressive modern stone yard supplying stone to many customers through out the country. It gives employment to a large workforce . Therefore I would like to show my support to this application so this business can continue to grow and support family's in these difficult times