

Aberdeenshire Council
Archaeology Service
Planning and Environment Service
Infrastructure Services
Woodhill House
Westburn Road
Aberdeen
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Our Ref: 2196

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Dear Claire,

Demolition of Steading and Erection of 3 Replacement Dwellinghouses
Site At Mid Lenshie Rothienorman Aberdeenshire AB51 8XU

Supporting Statement – Demolition of Existing Buildings

Conversion of the existing buildings was considered however the existing farm buildings are in poor structural condition and it is therefore not a viable economic option for these buildings to form part of a conversion to habital accommodation. Most of the buildings are undermined as can be seen by the attached photos which would mean approximately 70% of the existing buildings would need to be demolished and re-built. Within the building livestock have damaged the external walls and there is shuttered concrete to be removed which again would result in demolishing walls and rebuilding. In order to convert the existing buildings to habital accommodation the ground levels around the buildings would need to be significantly reduced to create accommodation with sufficient headroom and accessibility. Reducing the ground levels would result in the foundations becoming exposed and result in significant structural works being required. The existing stone and slate from the demolished buildings will be reused for the new build homes.

In order to create sustainable family homes we feel that demolition is the only suitable option in this instance.





We trust that the above information is satisfactory. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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