

**West Lothian Council Consultation
at
Long Dalmahoy Road
Kirknewton
EH27 8EE**

**Development Quality Sub-Committee
of the Planning Committee**

Proposal: Consultation by West Lothian Council for change of use to form clay pigeon shooting school
Applicant: West Lothian Council.
Reference No: 04/01378/WLC

1 Purpose of report

To recommend that **RAISE OBJECTIONS** on this consultation for the following reasons:

Reasons

1. The part of the site which lies within the City of Edinburgh is designated a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation in the Finalised Rural West Edinburgh Local Plan 2003.
2. The site is adjacent to a recorded badger habitat (protected species).

Informatives

It should be noted that:

Raise objections, however as the proposal is not a significant departure from the structure plan referral to the Joint Liaison Committee is not appropriate.

2 Main report

Site description

Wooded site to the east of Kirknewton. Site is bisected by the boundary between the City of Edinburgh and West Lothian Councils. More of the development is proposed in the West Lothian portion. The site is designated as a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) in the Finalised Rural West Edinburgh Local Plan and is close to a known badger habitat (protected species).

Site history

An identical proposal was submitted in June 2003 which the City of Edinburgh was consulted on (ref: 03/02249/WLC). The Council raised an objection to the scheme on the grounds that part of the site was within an Site of Importance for Nature Conservation and adjacent to a recorded badger habitat (protected species). At that time the applicant had applied to the City of Edinburgh Council for planning permission since the clay pigeon shooting school had an impact on adjacent land which is in the City of Edinburgh. However, after the initial application was found to be deficient, it was eventually withdrawn. No approach has as yet been made to the City of Edinburgh regarding this latest proposal although it is identical to the previous scheme.

Development

The proposal is for a change of use to form a clay pigeon shooting school.

Consultations

No consultations were carried out for this inter-authority consultation.

Representations

No representations were received for this inter-authority consultation

Policy

The relevant strategic planning policies are as follows:

Lothian Structure Plan 1994 ENV16, ENV24
Edinburgh and Lothians Structure Plan 2015 ENV1F, ENV3
Rural West Edinburgh Local Plan 2003 E18, E22

3 Conclusions and Recommendations

This proposal does not raise a strategic planning matter but may have an adverse local impact in respect of the nature conservation interests of a designated SINC and the potential to cause disturbance to a protected animal species. There does not appear to have been any changes in circumstance since the original application was withdrawn which would justify a change in the Council's position.

It is recommended that the Council raise objections to this proposal.



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Local Plan

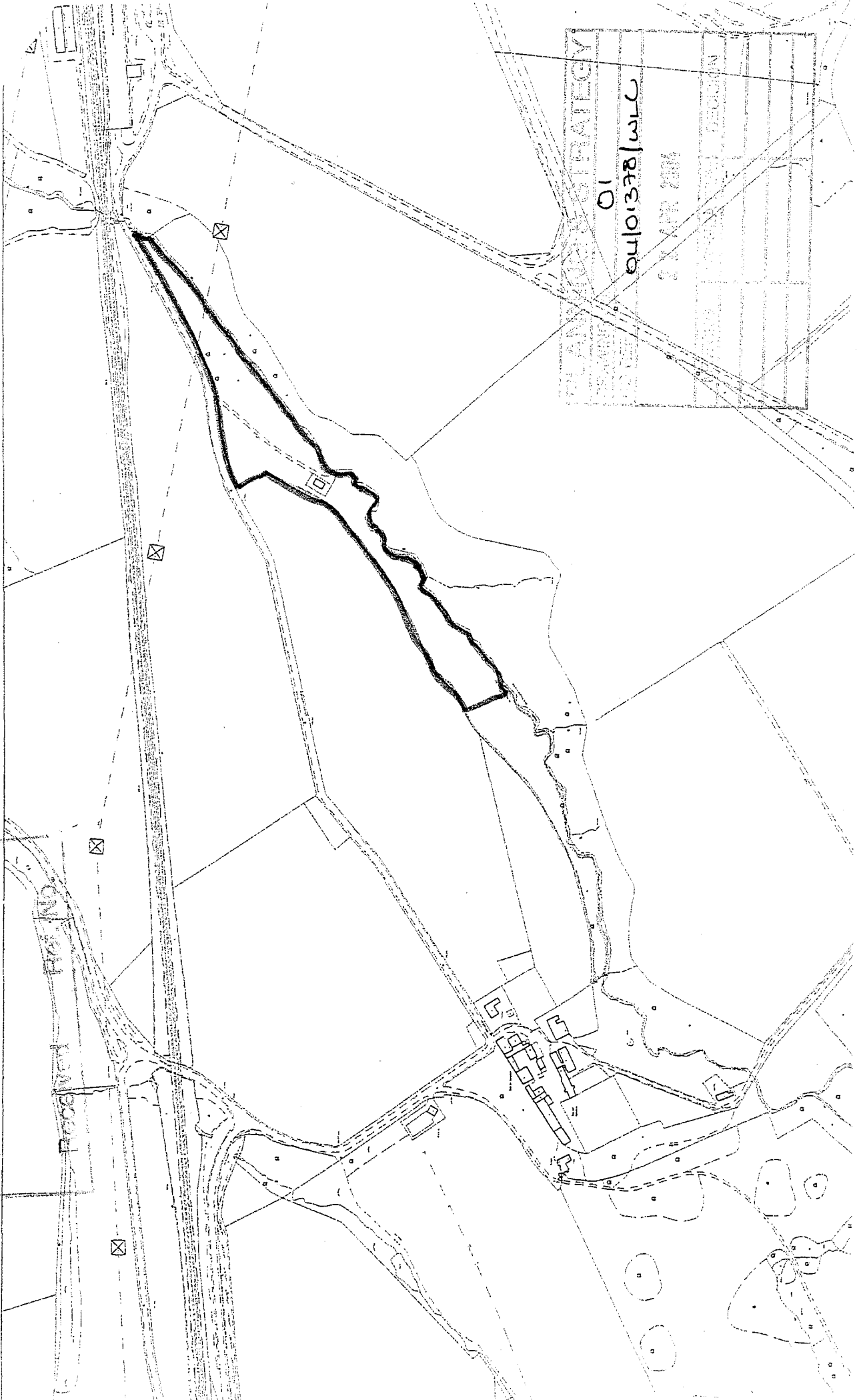
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