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On behalf of Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council (C&PS CC) and the communities we represent, we ask that you accept our submission of the East Lothian Council / Peter Brett Associates Cockenzie Masterplan (ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan) to the NPF4 consultation. The scope of the proposals contained in the ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan offers the opportunity to lift historic areas of social deprivation from the national register through the creation of upwards of 3,200 jobs.

The ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan is the only consultation to have been democratically carried out on the future of the Cockenzie site following the closure of the Cockenzie Power Station and the sale of the site to ELC.

At the time of the demolition of the power station, the communities bordering the site - having lived with the dust, pollution and noise from the station for decades; with a growing desire to retain and enhance health and well-being opportunities; being fearful of the Scottish Enterprise proposal to site an energy park at Cockenzie; and hopeful that our communities may at last have the opportunity to benefit from the leisure, recreation and tourism enjoyed by our wider county - produced their own 'vision' for the site, and petitioned ELC for support. Sadly, ELC would not accept the community petition. Our communities however, felt strongly enough to take the petition to the Scottish Parliament Petitions Committee. Please see link below.

<https://www.parliament.scot/GettingInvolved/Petitions/keepourcoast>

A welcome and positive outcome from the the petition process, was the recommendation that ELC consult with their communities on the future of the Cockenzie site, and after many months of meetings / workshops / community drops with local and national stakeholders, communities and wider County residents - the ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan was published.

The communities welcomed the consultation process and the resultant Masterplan, believing that it had captured community aspirations by respecting both land and sea environs whilst allowing industry, energy, leisure, recreation, tourism, heritage and history to exist harmoniously alongside our residential communities.

Community hopes were quickly dashed however in late 2017, when ELC declined to formally adopt the ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan. Since then, C&PS CC have worked positively and respectfully to encourage ELC to formally adopt the Masterplan.

A link to the full ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan documentation is below.

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/downloads/download/12966/cockenzie_masterplan

Attached is a Cockenzie Masterplan summary booklet produced by C&PS CC in 2018.

Even the Scottish Government Reporter in the Inch Cape call in questioned why she, as well as the communities, remained in the dark as to why ELC had failed to formally adopt the democratically consulted ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan.

<https://www.edinburghnews.scotsman.com/news/lack-alternative-plan-blamed-controversial-cockenzie-power-station-ruling-98380>

We believe that the ELC / PBA Cockenzie Masterplan would be beneficial not only to communities, but to county and country.

On behalf of Cockenzie & Port Seton Community Council
Yours sincerely

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