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Dear Mr Agnew

**THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS)  
(SCOTLAND) DIRECTION 2009  
FORMATION OF A BUSINESS PARK (CLASS 4, 5 AND 6) INCLUDING OFFICE  
ACCOMMODATION AND FACILITIES TO SUPPORT OFFSHORE RENEWABLE  
ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS AT THE FORMER MONTROSE AIRFIELD, CHARLETON  
ROAD, MONTROSE**

I refer to your Council's email of 29 February 2016 with which a copy of the planning application relating to the above development was notified to Scottish Ministers in accordance with the above mentioned Direction.

Following notification, Transport Scotland was consulted and responded on 11 March 2016, maintaining its position that development of the scale proposed would significantly compromise the safe operation of the trunk road at the A90/A937 Laurencekirk Junction. As an alternative to calling in the application, Scottish Ministers conclude that consideration should be given by your planning authority to put in place an appropriate condition that could allow the development to proceed in phases while addressing Transport Scotland's concerns regarding road safety.

Scottish Ministers therefore give your Council the attached Direction. The Direction is given under powers conferred on Scottish Ministers by Regulation 33 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013.

Your Council are required to consider whether this condition is acceptable, in discussion with relevant parties, which could lead to the potential withdrawal of Transport Scotland's extant objection.

Unless the Direction is withdrawn by Ministers, your authority cannot grant planning permission without first satisfying Scottish Ministers that such consideration has been given and that such a condition either will be imposed or need not be imposed.

We look forward to your response in due course to allow Scottish Ministers to conclude their consideration of this notified application.

Yours sincerely

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**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)  
(SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013  
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (BUSINESS PARK AT THE FORMER  
MONTROSE AIRFIELD, CHARLETON ROAD, MONTROSE) DIRECTION 2016**

The Scottish Ministers, give the following Direction in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Regulation 33 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 and all other powers enabling them to do so.

**General**

1. This Direction is given to Angus Council.
2. This Direction may be cited as the Town and Country Planning (Business Park at the former Montrose Airfield, Charleton Road, Montrose) Direction 2016.

**Interpretation**

3. In this Direction—

“the Development” means the formation of a business park (class 4, 5 and 6) including office accommodation and facilities to support offshore renewable energy developments at the former Montrose Airfield, Charleton Road, Montrose; and

“the planning authority” means Angus Council.

**Proposed condition**

4. If the planning authority are minded to grant planning permission for the Development, the planning authority must consider imposing the following condition—

“No development shall be undertaken unless and until a detailed phasing programme setting out the phasing of the construction of buildings and formation of open space and road infrastructure across the entire application site has been submitted to, and approved in writing by the planning authority, in consultation with Transport Scotland. The development must be undertaken in accordance with the approved phasing programme.

Reason: To ensure that the safety and efficiency of the trunk road is not adversely affected by the proposed development”

**Restriction on grant of planning permission**

5. If the planning authority are minded to grant planning permission for the Development, the planning authority must (unless this Direction is withdrawn) not do so without first satisfying the Scottish Ministers that consideration has been given to the imposition of a condition as specified in paragraph 4 and that such a condition either will be imposed or need not be imposed.

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