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Dear Convener,

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT SCRUTINY OF THE REVISED DRAFT NATIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK 4

I am writing further to your letter of 9 November, inviting Members of the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee to attend meetings on 22 and 29 November where the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee will be taking evidence on the revised draft of National Planning Framework 4, published on 8 November.

On behalf of my fellow Committee Members, I am very grateful for the opportunity to participate in scrutiny of the revised draft. Unfortunately, due to the coincidence of these meetings with our Committee's own meetings, Members will be unable to attend.

However, I wanted to take this opportunity to recall to you my Committee's previous contribution to cross-committee scrutiny of the original draft of NPF4, as sent to you via correspondence on 22 February. In that correspondence, we made a series of recommendations to strengthen considerations around the impact of planning policy and decision-making on health and wellbeing as part of NPF4.

I would be very grateful if your Committee felt able to raise these issues as part of your scrutiny and to explore the extent to which these recommendations are reflected in the revised draft.

Yours sincerely,

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