Local Government and Communities Committee

Planning (Scotland) Bill

Submission from Mrs B Boyle

I would like to raise these points to be rectified in the planning revue.

1. If a planning application is rejected by a local planning committee, I do not think that one man in an office hundreds of miles away, should be allowed to overturn local expertise.

2. If a planning application is approved either by a local council planning department or the Scottish government reporter, there is no right of appeal to that approval, I would expect an equal right of appeal to exist.

3. I also feel that the notification process falls well short, when the application is on a site that has a designation of national importance. These applications need a wider, national notification procedure.

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