

GILMERTON AND INCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

SUBMISSION TO THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD  
ON WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2020

Gilmerton and Inch Community Council would wish to support the local community's plans for the redevelopment of the area subsequently to be known as Inch House Gardens as described in the Inch Community Association paper "Inch House Gardens Vision".

The GICC appreciate that the area in question has been defined as a "brownfield" site and as such has been included in the City of Edinburgh's list of sites appropriate for consideration for housing or commercial development. However the site in question was used primarily as a garden nursery and its potential utilisation as a housing or commercial development site would be totally out of character for the area being within the recreational space of the Inch Park. It would have a significant detrimental effect on both the character of the area and the visual aspect of the park.

For that reason, we are strongly of the opinion that the decision to include this area within the list of potential sites for housing or commercial development should be revisited by the Planning Committee meeting on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 at 2.00pm and modified in such a way as to exclude it from such development and that, furthermore, the Council should support the local community's excellent plans to develop the area as a community resource as described in its paper.

Ken Baird

Secretary on behalf of

Gilmerton and Inch Community Council

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