

REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - 26 NOVEMBER 2012

REPORT ON: TAYPLAN STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN - BOUNDARY CHANGE

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO: 419-2012

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to ratify that amendment to the TAYplan boundary which was made as a result of the extension of the Cairngorms National Park into parts of Eastern and Highland Perthshire in 2010.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee ratify the alteration of the TAYplan boundary as set out in Figure 2 of this report to be submitted to Scottish Ministers for approval.

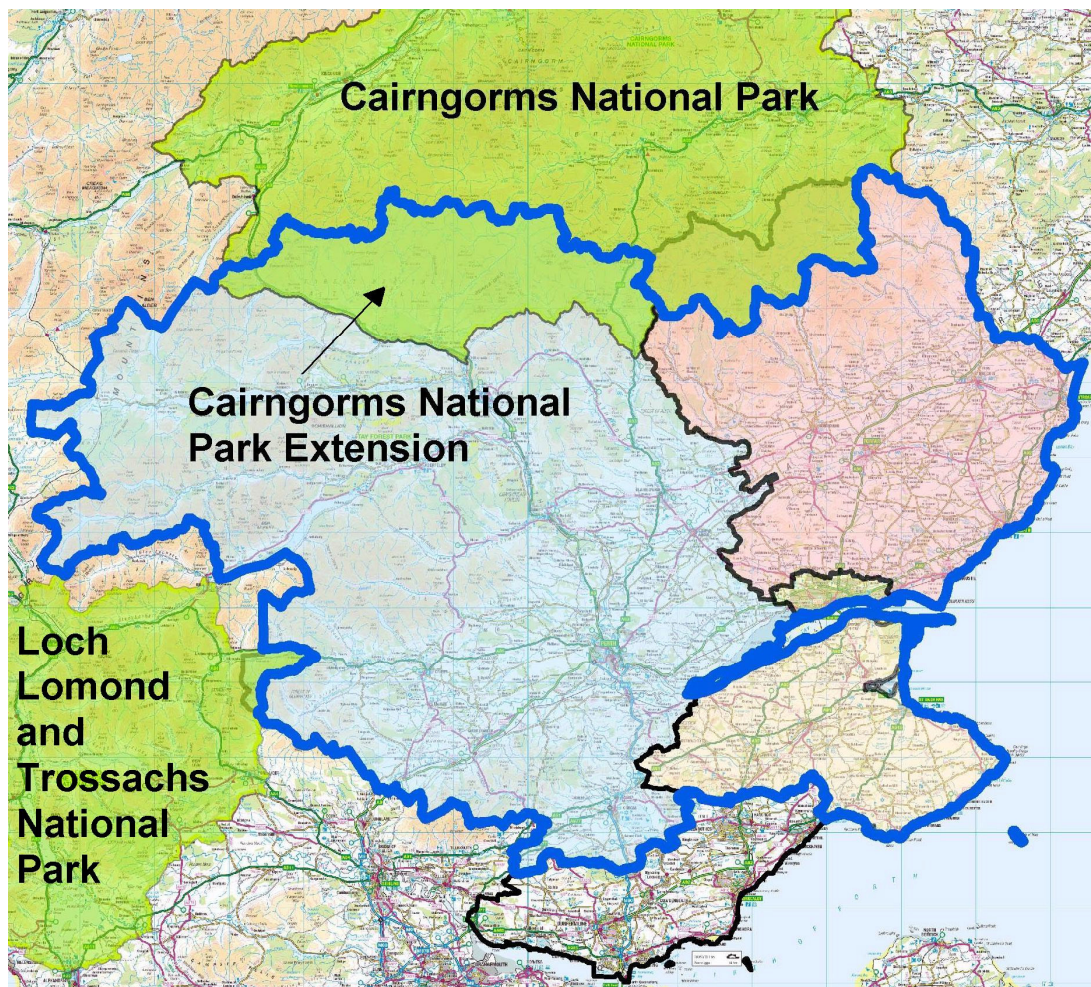
3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are no financial implications arising from the boundary change.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Scottish Government Circular 2/2008 states that Strategic Development Plan boundaries are expected to follow local authority boundaries with the exception of national parks which are expected to be excluded from Strategic Development Planning Authority Areas.
- 4.2 In 2010 the boundary of Cairngorms National Park was extended to include part of Highland Perthshire following an amendment to the National Parks (Scotland) Act (see Figure 1). To reflect this material change in circumstance, TAYplan's boundary requires to be altered in northern Perthshire to exclude the new National Park area. TAYplan's boundary will not be altered in Angus, Dundee or Fife.
- 4.3 At its meeting on 2 October 2012, the TAYplan Joint Committee agreed to amend the boundary of the TAYplan area, subject to this decision being ratified by the 4 constituent Councils.
- 4.4 The original TAYplan boundary did not cover National Park areas. However, the extension to the Cairngorms National Park in 2012, brought it within the TAYplan area. Scottish Ministers, stated that the boundary should not be amended until after the approval of TAYplan. Scottish Ministers approved TAYplan in June 2012.

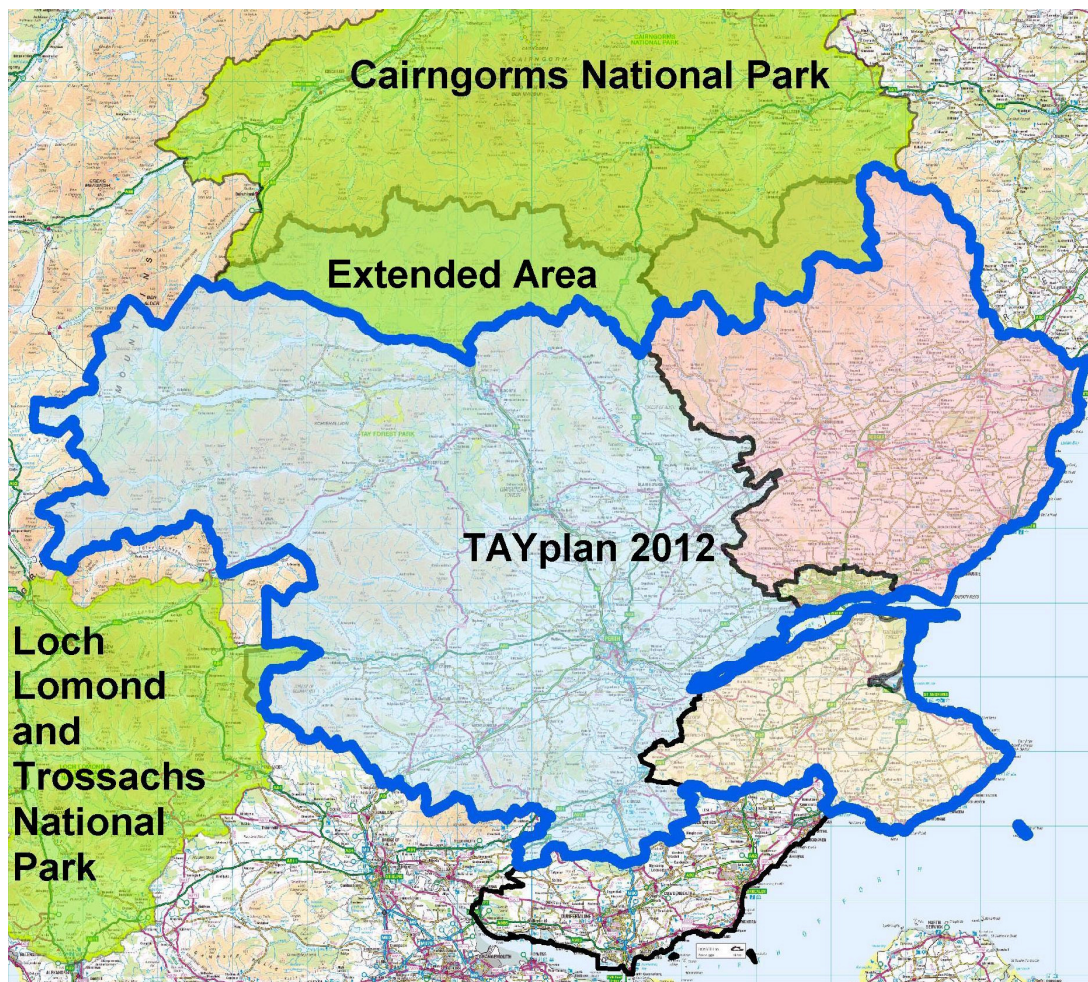
Figure 1 - Cairngorms National Park Extension



-  TAYplan Boundary 2008
-  Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park
-  New Cairngorms National Park Boundary
-  Local Authorities

- 4.5 The overall area covered by TAYplan will be reduced by 281 square miles as a consequence of this. TAYplan will continue to cover the Local Authority administrative areas of Dundee City and North Fife as well as the parts of Angus and Perth and Kinross that are outwith the Cairngorms National Park and Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park.

Figure 2 - New TAYplan Boundary



- TAYplan Boundary 2012
- Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park
- New Cairngorms National Park Boundary
- Local Authorities

5 REASON BEHIND THE CHANGE AND PROCEDURES

- 5.1 In order for the second Strategic Development Plan to be up to date, the TAYplan boundary should be altered to reflect the change in circumstances, as shown in Figure 2.
- 5.2 TAYplan is required to define any changes to its boundary and submit these, with a justification statement, to Scottish Ministers for their determination. It is proposed to submit this by end December 2012.

6 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

7 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, the Director of Corporate Services and Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 Circular 2/2008:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/220868/0059416.pdf>.

- 8.2 Circular 1/2009 - Development Planning - Scottish Government:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/261030/0077887.pdf>.

- 8.3 National Park (Scotland) Act 2000:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2000/10/notes/contents>.

- 8.4 Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006:

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2006/17/pdfs/asp_20060017_en.pdf.

- 8.5 Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2005/01/20576/50663>.

- 8.6 Town and Country Planning (Development Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2008:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2008/426/contents/made>.

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