+

Appendix I – Route Comparison Table

Aviemore to Carrbridge NMU - Route Option Comparison Table

Relative Option Impact Key

Favourable(Most favourable or least detrimental)

Neutral(Relatively insignificant variance between options)

Least Favourable (Least favourable or most detrimental)

Considers statutory designated sites, non-statutory designated sites, ancient woodland (as listed on the Ancient Woodland Inventory), protected and priority species records (obtained through a data request to the North East Scotland Biological Records Centre and National Biodiversity) Ecology and Nature conservation (biodiversity) Ecology and Nature conservation	Assessment Criteria	Explanation of Criteria	Blue	Purple	Comment
Contentions Directness The spots in shadd involve minimal geographical debtors and enforced topopage. Astrochromess Astrochromess Accessibility and Socio-exonomic inclusion The shadd be minimised. The shadd be splitted minimised and shadd be splitted minimised. The shadd minimised and physical constraints and stabilished process shadd be occurred with dishway friendlams. The shadd minimised are shadded to shadd the shadd minimised and shadded process shadd be occurred with dishway friendlams. The shadd minimised are shadded on the shadded with a shaddory. The shadd minimised are shadded on the shadded with a shaddory. The shadd minimised are shadded on the shadded with a shaddory designated sites, ancient woodland (sites on the Accident Woodland these, ancient woodland (sites on the Accident Woodland these, ancient woodland (sites on the Accident Woodland the shaddory), protected and provide splitted with a shaddory the shaddory of the shaddory	Safety	Actual and perceived accident risk for all users should be minimised.	Favourable	Least favourable	
Attractiveness and regionate thould be maximised, proceived and actual personal exourty fact function to maximised, proceived and actual personal exourty fact function to maximised, proceived and actual personal exourty fact function to maximised, proceived and actual personal exourty fact function to maximised. Accessability and Socio-economic Inclusion Implementability (including land tale and private assets) Design compliance The original properties and physical constraints and ablashocher edjections shauld be and private assets) Design compliance Utilities Utilities Design compliance The original properties and physical constraints and patients of maximised and quidences. Matters to be considered include geometry, cross-sectional width and surfacing. Favourable Least forwarable Least forwarable Favourable Least forwarable Least forwarable Favourable Least forwarable Favourable Least forwarable Although the Bite route will result in the loss of a greater area of ancient secolation of the project. Although the Bite route will result in the loss of a greater area of ancient secolation of the project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East Sociation and project and actual properties of the North East	Coherence		Favourable	Least favourable	
Accessibility and Socio-economic Inclusion The level dud the egiptimate improvement to community accessibility for total types. Local bisuminease should be entitle from the roate option. The level dud to egiptimate with control and private assetts of the condition of private control and private assetts. The level of commission of the project. The level of commission of the project. Level of potential conflict with overhead and underground Public Utilities within the value of the project. Level of potential conflict with overhead and underground Public Utilities within the consideration (building generally, cross sectional within and authority.) Considers distallate generally, cross sectional within and authority. Considers distallately designated sites, non-sidablory designated sites, annient vendant (a little of the Ancient Woodland (a	Directness		Favourable	Least favourable	
Implementability (including land take and private seets) Design compliance The level of compliance with cell refer to the proport. Least forwards to the seed of potential conflict with overhead and underground Public Utilities with a design compliance with cell refer to the proport. Least forwards to the seed of potential conflict with overhead and underground Public Utilities with the least forwards to a considered include geometry, cross sectional width and surfacing. Least forwards Favourable Least forwards Favourable Considers statutory designated sites, non-statutory designated sites, no	Attractiveness		Favourable	Least favourable	
Design compliance The level of compliance with celevery immerizance in such growth course design standards and guidance. Matters to be considered installe geometry, once excitoral width and unflowing. Utilities Level of potential conflict with overhead and underground Public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground Public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground Public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground public Utilities within the extent of the project. Considers analyzed and underground public under underground public under underground public underground public underground public under underground public underground public underground public under underground public underground public under underground public under underground public under underground public under underground public underground public under underground underground under underground under underground under underground underground underground underground under underground unde	Accessibility and Socio-economic Inclusion		Favourable	Least favourable	
Utilities Urail of potential conflict with overhead and underground Public Utilities within the worker of the project. Least favourable Favourable Favourable Favourable Favourable Favourable Least favourable Considers statutory designated sites, non-statutory designated sites, accient voodland (as listed on the Ancient Woodland inventory), protected and priority species records (children's records (Children's records) (Children's records	Implementability (including land take and private assets)		Least favourable	Favourable	
the extent of the project. Least favourable Considers attaintory designated alies, non-attaintory designated sites, ancient woodland (si listed on the Ancient Woodland Inventory), protected and priority species records (obtained through the North East Scotian Blookpeal Records Centre and National Biodispical National Records Centre and National Biodispical Records Centre and National Biodispical Records Centre and National Records Centre and National Records Centre and National Records Recor	Design compliance		Favourable	Least favourable	
Considers statutory designated sites, non-statutory designated sites, ancient woodland (are any bordered by the BISTS or the ASI. Caperallile habitat is present on the western side of the A9, but is unlikely to be affected by the Scheme due to the presence of the A8. The purple route, landward and the western side of the A9, but is unlikely to be affected by the Scheme due to the respect of the A8. The purple route, although all state quest to the North East Schodlard Biological Records Centre and National Park Landscape Areas etc., aniety woodland (as a subject to a sub	Utilities		Least favourable	Favourable	
Landscape Landscape Least favourable Least	Ecology and Nature conservation (biodiversity)	woodland (as listed on the Ancient Woodland Inventory), protected and priority species records (obtained through a data request to the North East Scotland Biological Records Centre and National Biodiversity Network Gateway), capercallile records (obtained through the RSPB), wildcat records (obtained	Favourable	Least favourable	(11,45 sq. m more than the purple route), this is predominantly along the edge of woodland already bordered by the B9153 or the A95. Capercaillie habitat is present on the western side of the A9, but is unlikely to be affected by the Scheme due to the presence of the A9. The purple route, although already in existence for the majority of its length and adjacent to existing roads for the rest of the route, runs adjacent to a woodland which is known to be used by capercaillie and as such is considered to be functional land associated with the designated Special Protection Areas which are present in the wider areas. Capercaillie are qualifying feature of the SPA's. Capercaillie are highly sensitive to disturbance. Habitat Regulation Assessment (HRA) Screening would need to be undertaken to determine if proposals for the Proposed Route could affect the integrity of the designated sites. Given the sensitivity of the species, the increased levels of human disturbance created by the cycle route could potentially affect the capercaillie and taking this into account the blue route is
(residential, recreational and commercial). Cultural Heritage Considers impacts on Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings, Conservation Areas and Gardens and Designed Landscapes Neutral Neutral Neutral Neutral Neutral A number of new watercourse crossings will be required in relation to the Blue Route whereas with the Purple Route it is anticipated that existing crossings can be utilised. Based on the SEPA flood mapping from SEPA indicative flood maps (http://map.sepa.org.uk/floodmap/map.htm) Neutral N	Landscape	designations (NSA, Gardens and Designed Landscapes, Special Landscape Areas etc.), ancient woodland (as listed on the Ancient Woodland Inventory) and Landscape Character Areas (from Caimgorms National Park Landscape	Least favourable	Favourable	
Areas and Gardens and Designed Landscapes Considers impacts on watercourses and waterbodies. Existing drainage, river and surface water flood mapping from SEPA indicative flood maps (http:map.sepa.org.uk/floodmap/map.htm) Neutral Neut	Visual		Least favourable	Favourable	
Considers impacts on watercourses and waterbodies. Existing drainage, river and surface water flood mapping from SEPA indicative flood maps (http:map.sepa.org.uk/floodmap/map.htm) Neutral Neutral Seased on the SEPA flood mapping both routes have identified fluvial and pluvial flood risk. Localised flood risk in relation to the Blue and Purple Routes is not considered to be a major constraint. In addition, with appropriate mitigation it is expected that there will be negligible risk to the water environment during construction.	Cultural Heritage		Neutral	Neutral	
Outline Cost The estimated outline cost of the route Favourable Least favourable	Water Environment	and surface water flood mapping from SEPA indicative flood maps	Neutral	Neutral	whereas with the Purple Route it is anticipated that existing crossings can be utilised. Based on the SEPA flood mapping both routes have identified fluvial and pluvial flood risk. Localised flood risk in relation to the Blue and Purple Routes is not considered to be a major constraint. In addition, with appropriate mitigation it is expected that there
	Outline Cost	The estimated outline cost of the route	Favourable	Least favourable	