



**Causeway
Coast & Glens
Borough Council**

SITE VISIT REPORT: Monday 24th March 2025

Committee Members: Alderman, Boyle, Callan, Coyle, Hunter (Chair), Scott, Stewart, S McKillop and; Councillors Anderson, C Archibald, Kennedy, McGurk, McMullan, Nicholl, Peacock, Storey and Watton(Vice Chair)

LA01/2023/0667/F Approximately 220m NE of 148 Torr Road, Cushendun

App Type: Full

Proposal: Proposed tourism amenity facility comprising of a viewing point with associated parking, seating areas and ancillary features.

Present: Councillor Watton

Apologies: Alderman Hunter

Officials: Emma Hudson

Comments: The site visit commenced on Torr Road along the road frontage of the site. The Official identified the extent of the site and outlined the detail of the application and showed details (including level difference, retaining structures, vehicle containment barrier, parking layout and picnic area) on the site layout drawing. The official outlined the reasons for refusal and pointed out critical views of the site. Due to the elevated nature of the site, views would be achieved when travelling along Torr Road in a northerly direction and along the entire site frontage. The surrounding area is characterised by small clusters of rural dwellings and farmsteads. The proposed development would appear incongruous and out of place in this highly scenic AONB location. The member asked if other sites had been considered. The official outlined that no other sites were indicated, and the assessment is based on the application site submitted.

The site visit was concluded.