

Evidence 2: Statements relating to different sites

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1 Statement 1

I'm very much in favour of the proposals to build a new data centre in Leuchars. Choosing this site will see a significant investment in the area and create hundreds of jobs.

This comes on the back of the recently announced £100m waterfront redevelopment, demonstrating that Leuchars is the only place to build these significant projects.

Steven Rogers
Lord Provost of Leuchars

2 Statement 2

I am very concerned to hear about the plans to build a new data centre in Nairn. As we have seen with other recent projects in the area, the construction of these large buildings creates significant disruption for local residents.

This on top of the waterfront redevelopment will only cause complete gridlock on our roads and misery for everyone in Nairn.

Samantha Cook
Local campaigner in Nairn

3 Statement 3

I'm pleased to hear there is a plan to construct a data centre in Paisley since it will bring a significant boost to employment in the local area.

However, I'm concerned about the proposal that it might be powered by solar power. This should be avoided at all costs because there is no guarantee that enough power will be generated, which will put a strain on existing infrastructure to keep the lights on.

Scott Laing
Local councillor in Paisley

4 Statement 4

The idea that Braemar could even be considered as a suitable location for a data centre defies belief. This is an area of immense natural beauty that should not be spoiled.

Helen Harris
Spokesperson for "Protect Scotland's Scenery"

5 Statement 5

Stornoway is an ideal location for the proposed new data centre, but really should be powered by wave or wind - something we have plenty of here.

Wade Watts
Stornoway resident