

National Park Authority

Planning & Access Committee Meeting



Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 22nd February 2016, 14:00hrs
John Muir Suite, Carrochan, Balloch, G83 8EG

Present: Petra Biberbach (PB) – Chair
Colin Bayes (CB)
David McKenzie (DMcK)
David Warnock (DW)
Willie Nisbet (WN)
Angus Allan (AA)
David McCowan (DMcC)
Billy Ronald (BR)

In Attendance: Park Authority Staff
Bob Cook, Development & Implementation Manager (BC)
Julie Gray, Development Management Planner (JG)
Craig Jardine, Development Management Planner (CJ)
Amanda Aikman, Governance & Legal Manager (AAik) - clerk

Apologies: George Freeman – Depute Chair, Fergus Wood (FW), Hazel Sorrell (HS)

Item	Title / Discussion	Action by
1	Welcome and Apologies The Chair welcomed those present to the meeting. She particularly welcomed Billy Ronald to his first meeting as a Member of the Planning and Access Committee having received appropriate training. AAik advised that apologies had been received from GF, FW and HS.	
2	Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest were made.	
3	Draft minute of meeting held on Monday 25th January 2016 The minutes were agreed as an accurate record with just one amendment for clarification. ACTION: In Agenda Item 6 on page 5 it was requested that the words 'proposed the motion and' be added between 'The Depute Chair' and 'invited Members'. Minute to be updated. The minute was proposed by WN and seconded by DMcC.	AA
4	Matters Arising The Chair advised that there are no open actions and therefore no matters arising.	

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5	<p>2015/0393/HAE – Parklea, Main Street, Gartmore</p> <p>JG presented the report along with additional photographs and internal plans of the proposed extension to the bungalow and pointed out that the building does not sit directly on the main street. She acknowledged that although the proposal is not traditional in design or appearance, good modern design can enhance a building. In this case the building is a modern (60s/70s) intervention in the conservation area of no particular quality and the proposed alterations will improve its appearance.</p> <p>The Chair invited discussion by Members. Members asked for another look at the photographs, particularly of the external view of the property, and discussed how it would relate to neighbouring properties. JG confirmed that no trees would be affected by the development. Members queried whether the property was built before or after the designation of a conservation area and JG confirmed that the bungalow would have been built before the conservation area designation.</p> <p>JG reminded Members that there had been one objection to the proposal and one note of concern from the Community Council.</p> <p>DMcK proposed the motion to accept the officers' recommendation, this was seconded by DMcC. The Chair invited Members to advise if they agreed, as per the officer recommendation to approve the application subject to the conditions contained in Appendix 1. Members agreed unanimously.</p> <p>DECISION: Members agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions contained in Appendix 1.</p>	
6	<p>Planning and Access Committee and Local Review Body Standing Orders</p> <p>AAik introduced the paper which explained the proposed revisions to the Standing Orders for both the Planning and Access Committee and the Local Review Body.</p> <p>AAik then took Members through those changes line by line and further amendments were proposed which AAik was to incorporate before the Standing Orders were put to the Board for final approval.</p>	
7	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p><i>DMcK left the room.</i></p> <p>CJ gave a verbal update on progress with the Arrochar Core Path Diversion</p>	

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	<p>which members of the Planning & Access Committee had considered previously. CJ explained that the required consultation has been carried out. There was one letter of objection which had raised concerns about shared use and liabilities related to maintenance. The objector subsequently received reassurance on those points and withdrew their objection. The matter will therefore proceed under delegated powers to confirm the reroute of the core path. Members noted the update.</p> <p><i>DMcK rejoined the meeting.</i></p>	
8	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting of the Planning & Access Committee will take place on Monday 21st March 2016.</p>	

Signed

Petra Biberbach, Chair