

National Park Authority

Planning & Access Committee Meeting



Approved Minutes of Meeting held on 25th February 2019, 13:30

John Muir Suite, Carrochan, Carrochan Road, Balloch

Present: Ellen Morton – Chair
 Bob Darracott (BD) – Depute Chair
 Graham Lambie (GL)
 Billy Ronald (BR)
 David McCowan (DMcC) – Excluding agenda item 6
 Willie Nisbet (WN)
 Diane Docherty (DD)
 Ronnie Erskine (RE)
 Christopher Spray (CS)
 Claire Chapman (CC)

In Attendance: Park Authority Staff
 Stuart Mearns, Director of Rural Development and Planning (SM)
 Bob Cook, Development & Implementation Manager (BC)
 Catherine Stewart, Development Management Manager (Performance and Support) (CSte) – Agenda item 4
 Amy Unitt, Amy Unitt, Development Management Planning Assistant (AU) – Agenda item 4
 Julie Gray, Development Management Planner – Agenda item 5
 Fiona Stewart, Natural Heritage Planning Advisor – Agenda item 5
 Sue Laverge, Development Management Planner – Agenda item 6
 Sharon McIntyre, Committee Officer (SMcl) – Clerk

Alastair McKie, Legal Clerk, Anderson Strathern LLP (AM)

Speaker: Simon Miller (SMil) – Agenda item 4 – Available for questions
 Adrian Laycock (AL) – Agenda item 5

Apologies: Murray Lyle (ML)
 Martin Earl (ME)

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1	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed those present to the meeting.</p> <p>SMcl advised that apologies had been received from ML and ME.</p> <p>The Chair proposed that agenda item 6 would be handled as a confidential item in closed session at the end of the agenda, from which members of the public would be excluded. AM read the resolution to allow agenda item 6 to be held in closed session. Members were in agreement.</p>	
2	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>CS advised that he is a member of Mountaineering Scotland although has</p>	

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	<p>had no involvement in relation to agenda item 5.</p> <p>For agenda item 6, DMcC advised that he is familiar with the applicant and will leave the meeting at this point.</p> <p>DD advised that she was previously a member of Mountaineering Scotland although has had no involvement in relation to agenda item 5.</p>	
3	<p>Draft minute of meeting held on 28th January 2019</p> <p>The minute was proposed for approval by DD and seconded by WN. The minute was therefore approved by the Committee.</p>	
4	<p>2018/0210/DET – Loch Lomond Arms Hotel, Luss</p> <p>Consideration of Item</p> <p>Planning Assistant (AU) and Planning Manager (CSte) presented the planning application noting that this application must be determined by the Planning and Access Committee as a statutory consultee, Luss and Arden Community Council, has formally objected and the officer recommendation is to approve. No individual objections were received with one representation in support.</p> <p>CSte then put forward the recommendation of the Director of Rural Development and Planning, to approve the application subject to the conditions contained in Appendix 1 of the report.</p> <p>Members asked questions of officers and Mr Simon Miller present on behalf of the applicant, Luss Estates Company.</p> <p>MOTION: DMcC, seconded by WN proposed that the application be approved subject to the planning conditions as set out in Appendix 1 of the Report.</p> <p>DECISION: As no competent amendment was tabled, the above motion became the decision of the Committee.</p> <p><i>Comfort break.</i></p>	
5	<p>2017/0119/DET - Benmore Farm, Crianlarich</p> <p>AM advised the committee that on the 22nd February the Park Authority were informed that following submission of a speaker participation form Mr Nick</p>	

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	<p>Kempe would be unable to participate in the meeting as a speaker due to another commitment.</p> <p>The Park Authority, following discussion with the Chair, advised Mr Kempe that a spokesperson could attend the meeting to speak on his behalf.</p> <p>Mr Kempe advised prior to the meeting that he did not have a spokesperson who had visited the site to speak on his behalf although did provide a written representation for circulation to the committee.</p> <p>In accordance with the Planning & Access Committee Standing Orders, written representations which have been submitted later than two clear working days prior to the Committee meeting will not be reported or circulated to the Committee. Members confirmed agreement with the processing of this request.</p> <p>Consideration of Item</p> <p>Development Management Planner (JG) presented the report and advised that this application must be determined by the Planning and Access Committee as there has been a significant level of valid objection to the proposal as outlined in section 4 of the report.</p> <p>JG then put forward the recommendation of the Director of Rural Development and Planning, to approve the application subject to the conditions contained in Appendix 1 of the report.</p> <p>Members asked questions of officers.</p> <p>SPEAKER: Mr Adrian Laycock who was speaking on behalf of the applicant Mr Grant Jolly was then invited to address the Committee. He did so in support of the application.</p> <p>Members asked questions of Mr Adrian Laycock and officers. Discussion took place regarding the proposed application. Following discussion, the Chair asked for a proposer for the motion of the officer's recommendation.</p> <p>MOTION: BD, seconded by GL proposed that the application be approved subject to the planning conditions as set out in Appendix 1 of the Report.</p> <p>DECISION: As no competent amendment was tabled, the above motion became the decision of the Committee.</p>	

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7	Any Other Business None.	
8	Date of Next Meeting The next meeting of the Planning & Access Committee will take place on 25 th March 2019. <i>DMcC and members of the public left the room.</i>	
6	Confidential: Enforcement update Agenda item 6 was held in closed session.	

Signed _____
Ellen Morton, Chair