



# Draft Minutes of Meeting Held at 13:30hrs on 24 April 2023 at Carrochan, Balloch

## Planning and Access Committee

25 September 2023

Paper for approval

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## **Attendees**

### **Members**

Claire Chapman (CC) Chair

David Mackie (DM)

William Sinclair (WS) Depute Chair

David Fettes (DF)

Richard Johnson (RJ)

Matin Earl (ME)

Chris Spray (CS)

Gerry McGarvey (GMc)

Iain Shonny Paterson (ISP)

### **In Attendance – National Park Authority staff**

Stuart Mearns, Director of Place (SM)

Bob Cook, Development Manager (BC)

Jennifer Paton, Planning Officer (JP)

Dougie Smith (DS) – Minutes

### **Also In Attendance**

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

### **Apologies**

Ronnie Erskine (RE)

Hazel Sorrell (HS)

## Items and Actions

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed attendees to this meeting of the Planning & Access Committee.

The Chair welcomed any members of the public viewing the meeting online.

The Chair invited all participants to introduce themselves. The Chair confirmed that Members must be present for an item to be able to participate in the decision.

The Chair advised that HS and RE were not in attendance and had submitted their apologies.

AM confirmed that this meeting was quorate.

### 2. Declarations of Interest

WS mentioned his role as an Argyll and Bute Councillor, which does not prohibit participation in any item.

### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

- Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

The minute was proposed for approval by RJ and seconded by CS. The minute was approved by the Committee Members present at the meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

AM confirmed the decision of the Committee.

**4. 2022/0315/DET – Site between Sloy Switching Station (NGR 30964 09246) and terminating in the vicinity of the Allt Derigan Burn in Glen Mallan (NGR 25955 96469), located to the east of Craggan Hill (Jennifer Paton)**

A detailed discussion took place between Members. The main points of the discussion included consideration of:

- Access Roads, including impact of dust and mitigation
- Biodiversity impact
- Peatland Management planning
- Soil management planning
- Private / unregistered water supplies

SM – provided reassurance on ecological and land management processes

**MOTION:** CS, seconded by DF, proposed to approve the recommendation as follows:

**APPROVE the application subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 of the report.**

For clarity, the Chair then took a roll call of the decision and confirmed her position. All Members agreed with the motion.

**DECISION:** The motion to approve the recommendation became the decision of the Committee.

AM confirmed the decision of the committee. AM confirmed that the decision notice is to run under the name *Scottish Hydro Electrics Plc.*

**5. Any Other Business**

CC + SM gave Members a verbal update on ScotGold, operators of the Cononish Gold Mine.

ME –raised the impact of NPF4 on Local Authority Planning regimes and the cross boundary areas of NPA.

**6. Date of Next Meeting**

The date of next meeting of the Planning & Access Committee is scheduled for 26 June 2023.

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