

National Park Authority

Planning & Access Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 25th January 2021, 13:30hrs
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Present: Bob Darracott (BD) – Chair
 Claire Chapman (CC) – Depute Chair
 Willie Nisbet (WN) – *audio only, item 2 onwards*
 Martin Earl (ME)
 Ronnie Erskine (RE)
 Chris Spray (CS)
 David McCowan (DM)
 Graham Lambie (GL)
 Diane Docherty (DD)
 Bobby Good (BG)
 Shonny Paterson (SP)

In Attendance: Park Authority Staff
 Stuart Mearns, Director of Rural Development and Planning (SM)
 Bob Cook, Development Management Manager (Delivery) (BC)
 Catherine Stewart, Development Management Manager (Performance and Support) (CSte)
 Craig Jardine, Development Management Planner (CJ)
 Sharon McIntyre, Committee Officer (SMcl)

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

Speakers: Agenda Item 4:
 Joyce Kelly, on behalf of Strathard Community Council (JK) – *audio only*

Available for questions only:
 Iain A Gillies, Applicant (IAG)

Apologies: Murray Lyle (ML)

Item	Title / Discussion	Action by
1	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed attendees to this virtual meeting of the Planning & Access Committee.</p> <p>The Chair advised that the meeting was able to take place in this format as a result of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Board Standing Order 25 which allows participation of Members in meetings by video and/or audio link. - The Board agreed at the 7th December 2020 Board meeting that the provisions of Standing Order 25 continue to apply, and Board, Committee, and Local Review Body meetings will continue to held virtually, until 	

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	<p>government restrictions on physical distancing are lifted such that in person meetings can be held safely.</p> <p>- The Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 denotes that public are to be excluded from a meeting of a local authority whenever it is likely that, if members of the public were present, there would be a real and substantial risk to public health due to infection or contamination with coronavirus. As our offices are closed at this time as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, we hope that by providing a live webcast of this meeting allows for the public to view proceedings as they would normally without a risk to health.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed any members of the public viewing the virtual meeting and advised Members of housekeeping points required to hold a meeting in this format.</p> <p>The Chair invited all of the virtual meeting participants to introduce themselves.</p> <p>The Chair personally congratulated CC on her appointment as Depute Chair of the Planning & Access Committee as CC was not present at the last meeting of the Planning & Access Committee where this was noted.</p> <p>SMcl advised that apologies had been received from ML.</p> <p><i>WN was not present at this point in the meeting due to technical difficulties.</i></p> <p>AM confirmed the meeting was quorate.</p>	
2	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>ME advised of his registerable interests as the Locally Elected Member of the National Park Authority Board representing Ward 3 – Callander and as a Board Member of Rural Stirling Housing Association. He noted that he has had no involvement with the proposed application in agenda item 4 therefore this does not translate into having a declarable interest with regard to the consideration of agenda item 4.</p> <p>CC advised that although she has a registerable interest as an employee of Scottish Water, she has had no involvement with the proposed application in agenda item 4 therefore this does not translate into having a declarable interest with regard to the consideration of agenda item 4.</p> <p>AM confirmed with ME and CC that they were able to participate in agenda item 4.</p> <p><i>WN joined the meeting using audio only.</i></p>	

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<p>3</p>	<p>Draft minute of meeting held on 14th December 2020</p> <p>The minute was proposed for approval by CS and seconded by RE.</p> <p>For clarity, the Chair then took a roll call of the decision and confirmed his position. CC advised that as she was not present at the last meeting she would withhold from approving the minute. All other members present were in agreement to approve the minute.</p> <p>DECISION: As no competent amendment was tabled, the minute was therefore approved by the Committee.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>2019/0305/DET - Stronachlachar Cottage, Stronachlachar, Aberfoyle, Stirling</p> <p>Consideration of Item</p> <p>Planning Officer (CJ) presented the planning application noting that it is considered that this application should be determined by the Planning and Access Committee in accordance with the scheme of delegation given the Community Council has formally objected on valid planning grounds and the recommendation is to approve. CJ noted that 3 individual representations in objection to the proposed application were received.</p> <p>CJ put forward the recommendation of the Director of Rural Development and Planning, to approve the application subject to the imposition of the conditions set out in Appendix 1 of the report and the completion of a planning obligation (s.75 Legal Agreement) addressing the Heads of Terms summarised in Appendix 2 of the report.</p> <p>Members then discussed the application which included discussion on road safety issues including signage and the layout of the proposed development.</p> <p>The Chair advised the applicant was available for questions. No questions were asked at this stage.</p> <p>The Chair advised that a late request to speak was received. SMCl advised the committee that a request to speak was received this morning through the Community Council representative and that in accordance with Standing Order 17 'Any requests received after the speaker participation form deadline will only be considered in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Chair of the Planning and Access Committee in consultation with the Director of Rural Development and Planning.'</p>	

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SMcl advised consultation took place and the request to speak was refused on the grounds this was received after the speaker deadline and without clearly articulated exceptional reasons from the individual.

AM advised that a response to the written objection received is addressed in the report by the Planning Officer.

SPEAKER: Ms Joyce Kelly who was speaking on behalf of Strathard Community Council was then invited to address the Committee. She did so in objection to 2019/0305/DET.

Members asked questions of Joyce Kelly and officers. Discussion took place regarding the proposed application and road safety issues presented to cyclists/road users due to the proposed positioning of the 5 vehicle spaces on the northern boundary.

Affordability of the development was discussed with the applicant.

Members continued to ask questions of the applicant, officers and JK and discussion took place regarding the proposed application.

ME wished to note that a meeting between the Roads Officer and the Community Council would have been welcomed in facilitating the decision making process.

The Chair raised the possibility of the inclusion of signage for cyclists/road users where possible. The applicant confirmed this could be accommodated. DD and ME were supportive of this.

Following discussion the Chair requested a proposer and seconder for the Officer's recommendation.

MOTION: WN, seconded by DM proposed to approve the application subject to the imposition of the conditions set out in Appendix 1 of the report and the completion of a planning obligation (s.75 Legal Agreement) addressing the Heads of Terms summarised in Appendix 2 of the report.

For clarity, the Chair then took a roll call of the decision and confirmed his position. All members were in agreement with the motion of the officer's recommendation.

DECISION: As no competent amendment was tabled, the motion became the decision of the Committee.

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5	<p>Planning Performance Framework 9 2019/20</p> <p>Consideration of Item</p> <p>Development Management Manager (Performance and Support) (CSte) presented the report.</p> <p>CSte put forward the recommendation of the Director of Rural Development and Planning, to consider and note the contents of this report.</p> <p>The Chair invited questions from Members and following discussion, the Chair then asked for a proposer for the motion of the officer's recommendation.</p> <p>MOTION: CS, seconded by ME proposed to consider and note the contents of this report.</p> <p>For clarity, the Chair then took a roll call of the decision and confirmed his position. All members were in agreement with the motion of the officer's recommendation.</p> <p>DECISION: As no competent amendment was tabled, the motion became the decision of the Committee.</p>	
6	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>ME asked for a status update on an application at Ben Cruach Lodge and Clattochbeg, Tarbet. SM advised this will now be handled by the Local Review Body.</p>	
7	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>The date of next meeting of the Planning & Access Committee is anticipated to be Monday 22nd February 2021.</p> <p><i>Afternote: This meeting was cancelled as no committee business was required.</i></p>	

Signed _____
Bob Darracott, Chair