

Draft Minutes of Meeting Held at 14:00hrs on 29 April 2024 at Lomond Parish Church, Balloch

Planning and Access Committee

29 April 2024

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Attendees

Members

Claire Chapman (CC) Chair

Martin Earl (ME)

William Sinclair (WS) Depute Chair

Hazel Sorrell (HS)

Richard Johnson (RJ)

David Mackie (DM)

David Fettes (DF)

Chris Spray (CS)

Colin Lee (CL)

Shonny Paterson (SP)

In Attendance – National Park Authority staff

Stuart Mearns, Director of Place (SM)

Kathryn Cockburn, Planning Officer (KC)

Bob Cook, Development Manager (BC)

Susan Brooks, Communities and Place Planning Manager (SB)

Laura Mowat, Place Planner (LM)

Alex Elmslie, Planning Assistant (AE)

Dougie Smith, Corporate Performance Manager (DS) – Governance Clerk and Minutes

Annie Fitzpatrick, Governance and Information Advisor (AF)

Also In Attendance

Chris Devlin, Legal Clerk, Anderson Strathern LLP (CD)

Claire Mitchell, Anderson Strathern LLP (CM)

Apologies

Ronnie Erskine (RE)

Items and Actions

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed attendees to this meeting of the Planning & Access Committee and thanked Lomond Parish Church for hosting during the ongoing work to the building at National Park Headquarters.

The Chair welcomed the members of the public attending in person.

The Chair invited all participants to introduce themselves.

The Chair advised that Ronnie Erskine was not in attendance and had submitted his apologies. The Chair advised that David Fettes will join the meeting late and confirmed that he will not be able to take part in the decision making of any item he is not in full attendance for.

CD confirmed that this meeting was quorate.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Meeting held on 26th February 2024:

Decision: DM, seconded by CS, proposed the approval of the minutes of the meeting of 26th February 2024. The minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands of those present.

CD confirmed the decision of the committee.

4. 2023/0377/DET - Erection of dwellinghouse (for holiday use) at Land East Of Grianan, Balquhidder, Stirling

KC presented the officer's report, alongside a PowerPoint presentation. KC confirmed that the Local Development Plan is supportive of holiday accommodation in this location and that while the Local Place Plan is a material consideration, the Local Development Plan has greater weight in the determination of planning applications. Questions from Members followed for KC. Questions were posed to KC relating to:

- Community Council objection and Local Place Plan position on rural housing and holiday accommodation
- Standards relating to noise from air source pump and mitigation in place via proposed conditions
- Flooding– confirmation that flooding advice from SEPA is not required at this site
- Access road – visibility. The relevant Roads Authority [Stirling Council] have confirmed that they are satisfied.
- Surface water drainage – importance of need for surface water management

The agent [Darran Crawford] and the applicant [Iain Williamson] were in attendance at the meeting and the Chair allowed specific questions from Members to be addressed to them.

Questions related to:

- EV Charging point(s)
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MOTION: CS, seconded by HS, proposed to approve the recommendation as follows:

That Members: **APPROVE the application subject to the imposition of the conditions set out in Appendix 1 of the report.**

DECISION: By unanimous decision, the **motion** became the decision of the Committee.

CD confirmed the decision of the committee.

5. National Park Local Development Plan (LDP) Scheme 2024

SB presented the officer's report alongside a PowerPoint presentation. Questions from Members followed.

The main points of the discussion included consideration of:

- Point at which a new LDP becomes a material planning consideration
- Importance of understanding and communication about relationship between LDP and Local Place Plans
- Confirmation of publication of Local Development Plan scheme and distribution to community contacts

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

That Members:

Note the preparatory work and approach towards preparing a new style Local Development Plan and

Approve the 2024 Development Plan Scheme.

DECISION: The **motion** became the decision of the Committee by unanimous decision.

CD confirmed the decision of the committee.

6. Any Other Business

- SM updated Members and took any questions from Members on Planning Application 2017/0254/MIN – Cononish Gold Mine, Tyndrum. SM confirmed that the site remains in care and maintenance. SM confirmed that the status of ownership company remains unchanged. SM confirmed that no new monitoring issues have arisen. SM confirmed that plans are underway to offer Members of the Planning and Access Committee and wider Board an opportunity to undertake a site visit to Cononish Gold Mine on 27 May 2024 if there is no committee business. The visit is proposed to take place in the afternoon following a scheduled meeting of the Local Review Body in the morning.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The date of next meeting of the Planning & Access Committee is scheduled for 27 May 2024, dependant on business and site visit.

Signed
