

AVIEMORE AND VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTE of a MEETING of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in AVIEMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE, on THURSDAY 13th MARCH 2014 at 7.30pm.

Present: John Grierson (Chair), Alistair Dargie (Vice Chair), Ray Sefton (Secretary) Lorna McGibbon (Treasurer) Kathleen Cameron, Audrey MacKenzie, Steve Wilson, Cllr Bill Lobban, Willie McKenna (Public/CNPA) Tom Ramage (Press),

Apologies: Karen Lawrie, Lisa Whittlestone

Opening Remarks: John Grierson welcomed everyone to this meeting of AVCC.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes of AVCC held on Thursday 13th February 2014 which had been previously circulated were **proposed by Alistair Dargie and seconded by Ray Sefton**

2. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lorna McGibbon advised that the balance on account was £6132.64 but the figure would change to £5,762.64 as there were two cheques outstanding. She further added that balance on the statue account £1326.22.

3. BUSINESS

3(i) MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) **Commonwealth Games Baton Relay** – Cllr Bill Loban advised that there was no further update since his last email.
- b) **Large Flower Tubs** – Alistair Dargie reported that the repairs had been carried out however the bands are heavily rusted. After discussion it was decided to consider replacing the tubs next year.
- c) **Tesco new site fence** – John Grierson reported that the fence had been repaired. He had spoken to the manager in the Aviemore supermarket who arranged for it to be repaired. The manager said that although he had no responsibility for the new site he was happy to forward any issues with it.
- d) **Children's Xmas Party** – Alistair advised that he was still addressing this matter and its on-going issues with getting help with the kids' activities and he would update the AVCC at the next meeting.
- e) **New Projects for the coming year** – John Grierson reported that the tree planting at the new park would take place on the weekend of 22nd March. Kathleen Cameron reported that the first Craft Fayre would take place on the Village Green on Sunday 18th April.
- f) **Domain Name** – John Grierson reported that he had still not got the authorisation codes from Mark Duncan. John had spoken with Fergus Thom who had put the site together. He advised that if we could not get the authorisation codes AVCC could purchase another domain name and transfer the site to it. It was agreed to give Mark one last chance to come up with the authorisation codes.
- G) Stone Circle Monument** - John Grierson reported that he had spoken with Historic Scotland and CNPA. Both agree that the sign would be a good idea. Historic Scotland will supply wording for the sign.

- 3(ii) INTRODUCTION OF VABS NEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, IONA MALCOLM** - John Grierson introduced Iona Malcolm who gave an overview of her appointment and what her job entailed.
- 3(iii) HIGHLAND COUNCIL COMMUNITY INSURANCE SCHEME** - John Grierson reported that the council's insurance had been renewed. He had checked and it included the statue at the Village Green.
- 3(iv) CAIRNGORMS LOCAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY** - John Grierson reported that he had attended the workshop held the day before in Dulnain Bridge along with Ray Sefton and Yvonne Birnie. The workshop had been very informative and had gone through all the questions in the consultation. All the answers and suggestions had been logged and would form part of the consultation report. After discussion it was agreed that there would be no need for AVCC to complete the consultation response form. **Proposed by Ray Sefton, seconded by Steve Wilson.** John Grierson to write to CLAG accordingly.
- 3(v) CALLED IN PLANNING APPLICATION 2014/0062/DET CAIRNGORM SERVICE STATION** - This is an application for a time extension to planning permission. AVCC had made comment on the original application. It was decided that no comment was required in this instance. **Proposed by Kathleen Cameron, seconded by Ray Sefton.**

4. AOCB

- 4(i) INVERDRUIE GREEN** - Aviemore Scout Group requested the use of the green at Inverdrue on Sunday 15th June 2014 for a Commonwealth themed fun day. It was agreed. After further discussion it was agreed that there should be a notice of some sort at the green to advise contacting the Community Council to check availability.
- 4(ii) LETTER FROM KILMUIR AND EASTER LOGIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL** - A letter had been received from Kilmuir and Easter Logie Community Council expressing disappointment in the way Community Councils were treated by Highland Council. After discussion it was decided that our situation was very different to that of Kilmuir and Logie and that we did not have any problems with our relationship with Highland Council or our local councillors. John Grierson to reply accordingly. **Proposed by John Grierson, seconded by Alistair Dargie.**
- 4(iii) DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES** - Correspondence had been received from Highland Council about a proposal to make Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of advisory disabled persons' parking bays at Braeriach Court, Burnside Road, Milton Park(2), Grampian Road and Station Square(2). This was a requirement under recent legislation. In discussion there was a question about other possible bays that were not listed. John Grierson will check if they are still in existence before replying to the consultation. **Proposed by Ray Sefton, seconded by Steve Wilson**
- 4(iv) SERVICE POINTS** - Bill Lobban reported that none of the service points are to close at the moment. There is to be a cross party working group set up within Highland Council to consult and formulate a business case for those service points under threat. The business case will also take into consideration the effect on the service points that will remain open.
- 4(v) CRAGG AND AOCC MEETINGS** - Yvonne Birnie intimated that there was a CRAGG (Cairngorms, Rothiemurchus and Glenmore Group) meeting on Monday 17th March and an AoCC (Association of Cairngorm Communities) meeting on Wednesday 19th March. She would normally be attending but was unable to do so. John Grierson said that he also attended those meetings and would be there. Alistair Dargie said that he would attend the CRAGG meeting.
- 4(vi) STREET NAMING** - John Grierson said that at a recent meeting of the local Highland Councils there was a proposal to name the flats at the old Village Hall 'Baxter's Court'. It was agreed by the meeting that this was a suitable name.

5. CLOSE OF MEETING AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

John Grierson thank all those for attending, and the date of the next meeting of AVCC was set for Thursday 10th April 2014 at 7.30pm to be held in The Aviemore Community Centre.