

AVIEMORE AND VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL, held in AVIEMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE, on THURSDAY 12th July 2018 at 7.30pm.

1. PRESENT: John Grierson (Chair), Wilma Grierson (Treasurer), Kathleen Cameron, Erin Ferguson, Ian Gray, Diane Forsyth (NHS), Kenny Rodgers (NHS), Pete Crane (CNPA), Philippa Grant (public)

2. APOLOGIES: Al Dargie, Beth Hay, Bill Lobban, Karen Lawrie, Willie McKenna.

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

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of AVCC which was held on Thursday 14th June 2018 were circulated. John Grierson observed that 5(d) should read 'to CNPA Planning' and not 'natural comment'. And on Page 3, (d), (e) and (f) should be renumbered (g), (h) and (i).

Minutes with amendments proposed by Kathleen Cameron and seconded by Wilma Grierson.

4. TREASURERS REPORT

Wilma Grierson produced receipts and payments report and advised that the balance of the account was £2183.41. The statue account (business reserve) is now £3691.33. Wilma Grierson advised that the annual Highland Council grant of £457.11 had been paid.

5. BUSINESS

i) New Hospital – John Grierson welcomed Diane Forsyth, senior project manager and Kenny Rodgers, senior project lead for the redesign of services in Badenoch and Strathspey. Diane and Kenny gave a short presentation of drawings on the design of the new hospital. The hospital will have 24 in-patient beds, out-patient services, urgent care centre, xray, care for the community integrated team, ambulance service and Aviemore Medical Practice. The purchase of the land will be concluded soon. The purchase had been held up due to the number of parties involved. The planning application is to be submitted the next day. The present timeline is for work to start April 2019 and be completed by December 2020 with an opening date in January/March 2021. John Grierson thanked Diane and Kenny for coming along and giving the Community Council the opportunity to see the plans before they were submitted to Highland Council Planning.

ii) Glenmore – John Grierson welcomed Pete Crane, Head of Visitor Services at Cairngorm National Park Authority. Pete gave an update on the Cairngorm and Glenmore Strategy and said that there was a short notice opportunity for Scottish Government visitor improvement funding. An application is being made to install a multi use path that links the Hayfield car-park to the Beach car-park and everything along that route. The path will be 2.5 metres wide and tarmac. It will cost approximately £300,000 and the bid will be for 70% of that with the partners making up the rest. Pate asked if the Community Council would consider a letter of support for the project. After discussion it was agreed that John Grierson should write a letter of support. **Proposed by Kathleen Cameron and seconded by Wilma Grierson.**

Pete then gave an update on the Speyside Way. He said that the planning application for the last part of path is being submitted and that the section between Aviemore and Kingussie should be completed by the end of 2019. It has taken 14 years to get this far and if funding is given for the last part the total cost of the project will be £1.1million. John Grierson thanked Pete for coming along and updating the council members.

iii) Matters arising from the minutes.

a) Bedding Plants – John Grierson thanked all involved in getting the bedding plants in. He said that, due to the hot weather, he had asked Terry Jack to water the tubs and that Al Dargie had also arranged watering to be done via the Fire Service.

b) Scotrail Timetable Changes - No further update.

c) Potential Use of the Village Green by West Coast Harley Davidson – John Grierson said that West Coast Harley Davidson are to use the Green and have already paid half of a £1500 donation.

d) MacDonald Highland Resort/Highlife Highland Swimming Pool Access – There is no further update.

e) Grass Cutting behind Old School - Grass not cut. Nothing further to report.

iv) Bus Shelter Timetables – Kathleen Cameron reported that there were no timetables in the bus shelters at Burnside, Aviemore. John Grierson said that he had been in touch with Highland Council, who are responsible for timetables, and they are to put new ones up.

6 AOCB

There was no AOCB

7. Date of Next Meeting and Closure

John Grierson thanked those in attendance and said that the next meeting for the AVCC will be on Thursday 9th August 2018 at 7.30pm in the Aviemore Community Centre.