

# AVIEMORE AND VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES of a MEETING of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL, held in AVIEMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE, on THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7.30pm.

**1. PRESENT:** John Grierson (Chair), Al Dargie, Erin Ferguson, Karen Lawrie, Wilma Grierson, Cllr Bill Lobban, Willie McKenna, Johnnie Grant(public)

**2. APOLOGIES:** Iain Gray, Kathleen Cameron, Beth Hay, Joe Kirby.

**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 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018 were circulated. **Minutes were proposed by Al Dargie and seconded by Karen Lawrie.**

### 4. TREASURERS REPORT

Wilma Grierson produced receipts and payments report and advised that the balance of the account was £2148.85 The statue account (business reserve) is now £6836.85

### 5. BUSINESS

**i) Matters arising from the minutes.** - There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**ii) Planning Application 2019/0011/MSC** – Allocation of affordable housing units in accordance with Condition 21 of 07/00093/OUTBS. After discussion it was decided to make no comment. **Proposed by Al Dargie and seconded by Karen Lawrie**

**iii) Planning Application 2019/0012/MSC** - Restoration of dwelling in accordance with Condition 23 of 07/00094/OUTBS. After discussion it was decided to make no comment. **Proposed by John Grierson and seconded by Al Dargie**

**iv) Cairngorms National Park Local Development Plan** – John Grierson said that the Community Council has been consulted on the proposed CNPA Local Development Plan. The plan will be discussed, and a response agreed at the March meeting.

### 6 – AOCB

**i) Planning Application 2019/0041/MSC** – John Grierson said that the Community Council had received a consultation request from CNPA in respect of a proposed conversion to automatic barriers at the Dalfaber Level Crossing. He said that the proposed design was the design shown in the Office of Rail Regulation Guidelines. The Community Council has long campaigned for automatic barriers. It was decided that the Community Council should write supporting the application.

**Proposed by Al Dargie and seconded by John Grierson**

**ii) A9 Dualling – NMU route** – John Grierson read out a response he had received from Transport Scotland in respect of the objection made by the Community Council to the lack of a Non-motorised Users route between Aviemore and Carrbridge. John Grierson also said that he had attended an Active Travel and that the NMU had been discussed. CNPA, Carrbridge CC and Boat of Garten CC are all maintaining their objections. Peter Crane is to organise a meeting of CNPA and the three CCs. After discussion it was decided that the response in no way satisfied the Community Council’s objections. It was decided that John Grierson should write maintaining our objections.

**iii) Vehicle Parking at corner of Santa Claus Drive and Grampian Road** – Willie McKenna said that vehicles are now parking on the ‘grassy’ area and causing damage. One of the vehicles was obviously being used for advertising. John Grierson is to enquire with Highland Council to see if anything can be done about it.

**iv) Replacement Street Lighting** – Bill Lobban said that the Highland Council anticipated that it would be August before the replacement lamppost for the damaged wooden ones would be replaced.

**v) Discretionary Fund** – Bill Lobban said that the Discretionary Fund was increasing to £26000

**vi) Dog Walking Area** – Karen Lawrie suggested that an area at the old primary school be set aside and fenced off as a dog walking area. There is a facility in Aberlour that allows owners to let dogs off the lead that for various reasons cannot be let loose. It allows the dogs better exercise. Karen felt that such a facility in Aviemore would be well used. John Grierson said he knew of the Aberlour facility and that it was well used but he could see problems with the proposal with regards to possible new housing near the site and a possible new access to that housing via Craig na Gower Avenue. He said it was a good idea in the wrong place.

## **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 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.30pm in the Aviemore Community Centre.