

AVIEMORE AND VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL, held in AVIEMORE
COMMUNITY CENTRE, on THURSDAY 9th May 2019 at 7.30pm.

1. PRESENT: John Grierson (Chair), Al Dargie, Karen Lawrie, Wilma Grierson, Kathleen Cameron, Willie McKenna, Johnnie Grant (public)

2. APOLOGIES: Joe Kirby, Iain Gray, Beth Hay

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 13th April 2019 were circulated.
Minutes were proposed by Wilma Grierson and seconded by Karen Lawrie.

4. TREASURERS REPORT

Wilma Grierson produced receipts and payments report and advised that the balance of the account was £942.92 The statue account (business reserve) is now £7040.19

5. BUSINESS

i) Matters arising from the minutes.

a) Organisation of Craft Fairs – Craft Fairs will be held on 19th May, 22nd June, 21st July and 18th August.

b) Highland Council Cuts to Additional Support Needs(ASN) and Public Support Assistants (PSA) - John Grierson said that he had a response from Sandra Campbell, Interim Director of Care and Learning.

c) Spring Clean Litter Pick – John Grierson said that Beth Hay had reported that the litter pick went well with over 42 bags of rubbish collected. Beth and Joe are to arrange more litter picks.

d) Dell of Spey Penguin Pond – John Grierson said that the water feature was now up and running.

e) Water Top Up Tap – John Grierson said that he had had a reply from Scottish Water. Scottish Water have installed Top up Taps at ten locations so far and are presently discussing with local authorities the siting of others and have noted our interest.

ii) **An Camus Mor** – John Grierson welcomed Johnnie Grant who spoke about the present situation with An Camus Mor. Planning permission has been issued for the new sustainable community and it was now important for the community to demonstrate continued support. The area is uniquely significant with over 90% of its 200 square kilometres designated for its natural heritage. It attracts over 750k visits every year. It is a large responsibility to care fro

the resource and the people who live in it and come to enjoy it. The community must be both sustainable and confident it can deliver what is needed. There is an urgent need for the delivery of An Camus Mor. After discussion it was decided that the Chairman should write to MSPs, Highland Councillors, HIE, CNPA and Scottish Government to show the Community Councils support for An Camus Mor and express the need for urgent delivery of the project.

Proposed by Al Dargie and seconded by Wilma Grierson

iii) Planning Application 19/01473/FUL – temporary siting of office & reception building at Coylumbridge Hotel. After discussion it was decided not to object to the application but to make the following comments. We acknowledge that this is an application for a temporary siting but are of the opinion that the portacabin is not in keeping with the natural environment and is inconsistent with a high-quality visitor experience. It would be better clad in wood to remove that portacabin look. Permission should be for a limited period and this should be included in conditions. There is land at the site that could be used for a permanent building so we do not see why this condition would be onerous to the developers.

Proposed by Al Dargie and seconded by Karen Lawrie

iv) Village Green – John Grierson requested permission to submit a planning application on behalf of the Community Council to re-furbish the Village Green to include a covered bandstand, re-location of the statue, install a wishing well and re-align the noticeboard. Agreed. **Proposed by John Grierson and seconded by Al Dargie**

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i) Minute Taker – Kathleen Cameron said that Angela Orriss has shown interest in becoming a minute taker for the Community Council. It was agreed to offer her the position.

7. Date of Next Meeting and Closure

John Grierson thanked those in attendance. The next meeting will be the AGM on Thursday 13th June 2019 at 7.00pm in the Aviemore Community Centre. followed by the regular ordinary meeting