AVIEMORE AND VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL, held in AVIEMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE, on THURSDAY 10th March 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present: John Grierson (Chair), Alastair Dargie (Vicechair/Secretary), Wilma Grierson (Treasurer) Kathleen Cameron, Beth Hay, Jan Gardner, Cllr Bill Lobban, Willie McKenna (CNPA), PC Neil McIvor, Chrissy Curbishley (Public), Lorna McLeod (Kingussie High School), Lottie (Kingussie High School), Shona MacLachlan (Minute Taker)

Apologies: Joe Kirby, Erin McBean,

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

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of AVCC which was held on Thursday 11th February 2016.

Minutes proposed by Alistair Dargie and seconded by Kathleen Cameron

2. TREASURERS REPORT

Wilma Grierson produced receipts and payments report and advised that the balance of the account was £2858.95. Two cheques still haven't been cashed yet both Jim Seaton and VABS, The statue account (business reserve) is now £3533.47.

3. BUSINESS

- 3.1 Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting.
- a) Cairngorm and Glenmore Consultation Cllr Bill Lobban advised that copy of response was emailed to John Grierson. John said that he had been having trouble with email and had not received the response. Alastair Dargie commented that 2 residents still had no communication in regards to this.
- **b) A9 Dualling Options** John Grierson advised he had responded and produced copy of letter for AVCC.
- **c) Undergrounding power distribution cables** John Grierson advised that he wrote to the CNPA who advised they would take nominations on board.
- **d) Planning Retirement Flats -** John Grierson advised that these are not going ahead. He said that AVCC has remain ever vigilant as there will no doubt be more attempts to develop the lawns.
- **e) Training** John Grierson advised that the community council training which took place on Tuesday 23rd February was very interesting and showed how necessary it is. It was well attended by 5 members from AVCC. John Grierson also emailed to thank for the training. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available on the website.

f) Village Green Lease - John Grierson advised that he had received information from the land registry to advise the last owner they had was Reidhaven and asked for more information. John Grierson advised that he will send the copy of bill of sale. Kathleen Cameron advised she would get in touch with Jenny Stevens to see if the explorers could help on a Monday night to help tidy it up the Green.

3.2 NEW BUSINESS

- a) Orbital Path Prioritising maintenance/repair work continued from previous meeting John Grierson advised he had previously circulated a copy of via email. Alastair Dargie said that only pages 1-10 were concerning the Orbital Path. John Grierson said that the document highlights everything that requires repair around the path, and gives options for rectifying. No dates are given.
- b) Social Care Lack of provision in the area- continued from previous meeting Beth Hay commented that there are still patients and staff concerened with the lack of palative care. 1 bed in Wade Centre, 1 in Grant House, not nurses only carers. Home care has been put out to agencies, but Kingussie still do not have an agency picking it up, this is a concern as expected to get worse. Beth Hay will contact Boyd Peters to discuss.
- c) Tree Preservation Orders MacDonald Resorts Joe Kirby (information supplied by email) John Grierson said that Joe Kirby emailed suggesting it would be a good idea for a tree preservation order to be in place. John Grierson advised that there is already one in place which covers the whole of Aviemore Resort.
- **d) Street Naming -Granish Court** John Grierson advised that the Highland Council had been in touch asking for the AVCC's thoughts on naming of the new street by Granish Way. Everyone was happy with this.
- e) Planning application (change to conditions) -16/00695/S42 (Former Tesco site) (Cllr Bill Lobban and Willie McKenna did not take part) Alastair Dargie advised that he had forwarded over information before the meeting in regards to this. E-planning site has been down and was due to be back up and running on the 11th March. Retail/Traffic impact assessment hasn't been carried out. The permission that has already been granted is for a single retail unit, section 42 application is to change this to 3 retail units inside the building. Alastair Dargie commented that the priority for the community is to be able to chose the supermarkets. John Griersopn said that he had spoken to Gavin Myles at CNPA and Gavin had said that there would be extra time for the CC to comment. It was unanimously agreed to support application. John Grierson to write to the CNP. Proposed by Alastair Dargie, seconded by Kathleen Cameron.

5. AOCB

a) Police Update - PC Neil McIvor advised there has been 185 incidents in the Aviemore area. Some of these included 7 Road Accidents, 3 Frauds, 3 Fires, 7 people arrested on warrant, 24 road traffic incidents, 17 miscellaneous, 5 domestic incidents, 3 neighbour disputes, 3 silent 999 calls, 8 drunk people calls, 1 snowballs call, 6 assaults, 5 alarm activations, 2 mountain rescues, 1 drugs related, 2 medical, 1 missing persons, 6 fixed penalties, 1 house break in with intent to steal, 1 rail incident, 2 parking tickets for HGV's. John Grierson advised that he had received the police questionnaire about policing priorities for community councils in the Highlands and Islands. John Grierson asked if PC Neil

McIvor would let Chief Superintendent Mr Innes know that insufficient time had been given for the consultation, as the Community only meet once a month, so timeframe has to be well in excess of a month.

- b) Rock Challenge Kingussie High School -Lorna McLeod, PE teacher from Kingussie High School was joined by pupil Lottie to highlight this year's Rock Challenge. Lorna McLeod commented that the Rock Challenge was where, this year, 45 pupils come together to create an 8 minute dance to a specific story. Lottie described this year's story being 'The Dragon and the Pearl'. Lorna McLeod commented that it takes a lot of time and effort to put on this small show and that it is not only the 20 dancers, but 25 people behind the scenes too. They need large sets, 3 costume changes, hair and makeup, lights, transport etc. Kathleen Cameron also added that this is a competition at Eden Court, so are against 6 other schools. John Grierson suggested giving £500 as this was what was given last year, and if problems become apparent then to come back. Proposed John Grierson, seconded by Alastair Dargie.
- c) Glenmore Statue John Grierson advised that in the Strathspey and Badenoch Herald, there was a feature about a sculpture 'Walking Man' placed at Glenmore. There is no planning permission for statue and he had written to Highland Council planners. Forestry Commission Scotland also had not given permission for it to be placed on their ground. The statue is to be removed by 14th March.
- **d)** Listening To Our Customers Scottish Water John Grierson advised that on 24th March there is a drop in at 5.45pm at MacDonald Resort. If anyone is interested in going, let John Grierson know.
- **e)** Association of Cairngorm Communities Meeting John Grierson advised that this will take place on 15th March, followed by planning network meeting. If anyone would like to attend, there is space for 1 more.
- **f) Police Questionnaire** John Grierson advised that the questionnaire was sent for AVCC to complete by 31st March. Questions asked included; Top 3 Policing Priorities which majority agreed were drugs, road safety, antisocial behaviour and lack of policing. To the question, "How satisfied are you with the level of police contact input received?" Alastair Dargie said that contact was good however that it was down to PC Neil McIvor for his presence, even attending meetings when off duty.

5. CLOSE OF MEETING AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

John Grierson thanked those in attendance and said that the next meeting for the AVCC will be on Thursday 14th April 2016 at 7.30pm in the Aviemore Community Centre.