

**AVIEMORE AND VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**7pm Thursday 10 April 2025, Aviemore Community Centre**  
**MINUTES**

**1. Present**

Al Dargie (Chair) AVCC  
Eilidh McLeod (Vice Chair), AVCC  
Peter Long (Secretary), AVCC  
Roddy Stevens, AVCC  
Sid Airey, AVCC  
Jeni Pacitti, AVCC

**2. Apologies for absence** - Kathleen Cameron, AVCC; Shona Irvine, FLS

**3. Welcome and introductions** – Al Dargie welcomed everyone to the meeting

**4. Declarations of interest** – none.

**5. Minutes of the March meeting**

Eilidh McLeod proposed acceptance of the minutes, seconded by Sid Airey.

**6. Matters arising from the March meeting**

Peter Long and Al Dargie confirmed all main actions completed.

Al Dargie has still to contact CNPA re the non-enforcement of planning regulations for Oakwood Caravan Park.

**7. Treasurer's report**

Peter Long proposed acceptance of the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Jeni Pacitti

**8. Police report**

None

**9. Business**

**a. Planning consultation – Proposed Clune windfarm**

The meeting noted the detail and complexity of the submitted application. It was felt that AVCC was not the best placed to comment on many of the issues. However, the potential visual impact on Aviemore and its vicinity was noted, and the various visual representations reviewed.

After discussion it was agreed that AVCC should adopt a neutral position with the following comments.

- AVCC notes the height and scale of the proposed development and is concerned about the visual impact on the area, particularly from the Cairn Gorm plateau, Burma Road, and the Meall a' Bhuachaille ridge.
- AVCC is concerned that this may detract from the amenity of the area, with a potential negative impact on visitor numbers and on the local economy.
- The information provided is not clear on what, if any, direct financial benefits the development might provide for the Aviemore community.
- Moved by Al Dargie, seconded by Peter Long

**Action – Peter Long to respond to THC**

**b. Planning Application - Aviemore to Carr-Bridge NMU**

This application not yet live. Continued to May meeting.

**Action – Peter Long for May agenda**

**c. Licensing consultation – Unit 5 Myrtlefield, Aviemore Whisky Shop**

The meeting felt there were no specific concerns. It was agreed that no comment was required.

Moved by Al Dargie, seconded Eilidh McLeod

**10. Reports from other organisations**

**a. CNPA report** - None.

**b. Highland Council report** - None

**c. ACE board member report**

Peter Long reported that

- Repairs to the Riverside Park path have been commissioned
- The Community Markets on the Village Green are re-starting for the season
- ACE will have a bottle stall at the 25<sup>th</sup> May market. Raffle tickets will be available soon.
- The outdoor classroom will be called An Talla (the gathering place). New signage will be ordered.

**d. AGCT report** - none

**FLS report** - the circulated report was discussed. Al Dargie and Eilidh McLeod reported back from the Glenmore Gathering which was felt to have been a successful event for all those who attended. The meeting noted its support for the work being done by local FLS staff to manage the area effectively.

**11. AOCB**

Peter Long referred to the Cairngorms Communities Gathering organised by the CNPA and to be held in Ballater on 30 April. Al Dargie agreed to attend if possible.

Al Dargie highlighted a short term let planning application 25/01012/FUL, for 9 Craig ' Ghreusaiche. This falls within the parameters agreed for a "standard" AVCC objection.

**Action – Peter Long to respond**

It was noted that the AVCC policy of standard objections in these circumstances has been in place since May 2024, and is due for review.

**Action – Peter Long to include on May agenda**

Eilidh McLeod raised ongoing concerns about the Tulloch development at Bynack More. The new block of flats has been built on a foundation raised by several metres from the original level, adding further to the loss of privacy and visual impact. This is being pursued direct with CNPA planning.

Roddy Stevens queried at what point decisions made by AVCC can be shared into the public domain. This would potentially help expedite discussions with partners in the disabled access forum and elsewhere. Al Dargie clarified that decisions made can be shared at any point after a meeting. Meeting minutes are not formally adopted until the follow month's meeting and remain in draft form until then.

**12. Date of next meeting** – Thursday 8 May 2025. AGM 7pm, followed immediately by the May business meeting

**13. Close 8.40 pm**

**Aviemore & Vicinity Community Council**

**TREASURER'S REPORT 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025 Aviemore Community**

**Centre meeting room**

<b><u>Treasurers Account</u></b>	£	£
Balance at 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2025		<b>£4,581.97</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Interest	£14.74	
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
Chq 322	£191.60	
Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> march 2025		<b>£4,405.11</b>
<b><u>Business Reserve Account</u> Account closed</b>		
Annual accounts are done just need someone to check them		

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**TREASURER'S REPORT 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Aviemore Community**

**Centre meeting room**

<b><i>Treasurers Account</i></b>	£	£
Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2025		
<b>Income</b>		<b>£4692.21</b>

Interest

**Expenditure**

Chq 321£110.24

**Balance at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025                      £4581.97**

***Business Reserve Account***

**Balance at 31<sup>st</sup> November 2024                      £0**

**Still trying to close bonus account**