

STRATHNAIRN

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

General Meeting Number 312

Farr Hall

7.30pm

MONDAY 16th October 2023

Draft Minutes



Present:

SNCC Members: Neil Spence (NS, Hon Sec), Ian Hunt (IH, Acting Chair), Jonny Porteous (JP), Lorna McConachie (LM, Minutes)

HC Members: 0

Associate Member: Allan Martin (AM)

Members of the Public: Mark Bessell (MB), Doug Meiklejohn (DM) (mentioned in the minutes), 3 others.

1. Apologies

Donna Haldane (DH), Phil MacKintosh (PM, Chair), Ian MacLean (IM, Treasurer).

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of 18th September 2023: Proposed (NS), Seconded (JP).

3. Declaration of Interest

IH advised the CC that as a member of the Community Benefit Fund he would not take part in discussions relating to the SCBF unless he deemed it pertinent to do so. LM advised she was a board member of Farr Hall Committee.

4. Matters arising from minutes of 18th September 2023

Item 19b, Scottish Water Installation: JP contacted customer services and the relevant managers have been informed about the unsafe parking.

5. Community Policing Report and local issues

The September police report has been received.

6. Financial Report

The current balance is £6110.80. There are three pending payments: 2 x minutes secretary for 5 meetings, total £325 and 1 x lunch club funds returned via Farr Hall £572.

7. Planning Application and updates

a) New

- i. Erection of extension. Sengera, Meallmore, Daviot, Inverness. IV2 5XQ.
- ii. Erection of house and garage (Plot 7). Land 70m West of Crofthill, Daviot, Inverness.
- iii. Erection of house and garage (plot 5). Land 110m NW of Valley View, Daviot, Inverness.

- b) Updated
 - i. Construction of access to new housing plots. Land 70m NW of Southdown, Nairnside, Inverness. Agreed
- c) Fred Olsen renewables are to erect and manage 9 turbines inland from the Moy Windfarm. It was agreed the CC should lodge an interest in future consultations
Action: IH to email information to NS.
- d) The lack of progress on the SEPA issues effecting the water quality and supply of some residents was discussed and it was agreed the CC would contact David Mudie, Planning South at Highland Council. **Action: NS to send email concerning the breach of GWDTE.**

8. Windfarms

Aberarder: No specific update. A general Highland wide SSE meeting is scheduled for late October.

9. Strathnairn Development Company

No update provided. The EGM is scheduled for Monday 30th October in Farr Hall.

10. Strathnairn Community Benefit Fund (MB)

- Grant for Strathnairn Connect has been released. (For catering equipment, Lunch Club and Community Café).
- The 2023/2024 budget has been agreed.
- Dumnaglass annual remit has been received.
- AGM Monday 6th November in Farr Hall.

11. Community Halls

- a) Daviot Hall: no new information.
- b) Farr Hall (DM): a vision panel will be fitted onto the door on the RHS of the stage to allow SMI to continue with classes whilst building work is underway. Grant from the SCBF has been received.

12. Strathnairn Website and Newsletter

No information available.

13. Road Works and Road Safety

- It was noted that white lines have not been drawn after the most recent surface dressing on the B851.
- Open Reach have moved the telephone post to enable path work to be completed at the Forestry Cottages.
- No information available on Croachy scheme and general road works.

Action: JP to email Colin Ross for an update on road works, signage, and planned works.

14. Former A9 Bridge at Daviot

No feedback has been received from email request to ensure preferred location of fencing.

15. Correspondence received. (via email unless indicated otherwise.)

- a) – SCBF – Summary Minutes of recent meetings.
 - b) – Highland Council – Community Council Election Notice.
 - c) – Scottish Community Councils – Democracy Matters Phase 2 Consultation.
 - d) – Slow Ways (Walking/Wheeling Routes) – Invitation to contribute.
 - e) – Scottish Community Council Forum – Invitation to Participate.
 - f) – Highland Council – Playpark strategy consultation.
 - g) – Highland Council – Review of Polling Districts and Places.
 - h) – Bear Scotland – Renaming of B9177 and B851 junctions on A9.
 - i) – Provost of Inverness – Invitation to Remembrance Sunday Event.
- (90 e-mails received, 24 e-mails sent. 12/09/2023- 08/10/2023)

- Item 15b, above: There are two places remaining and open to residents who would like to be co-opted onto the Community Council. **(Contact NS)**
- Item 15e, above: **Action: NS to email CC members.**

16. List of Events, Meetings and dates for attendance and interest.

Farr House are hosting the annual Firework and Bonfire evening on Saturday 4th November 5pm – 7pm (Fireworks at 6pm).

17. Questions from members of the Public.

Nil

18. AOCB

Enhanced defibrillator signs have been acquired and will be installed in due course. **Action: NS to contact PM.**

19. Next Meeting – Monday 20th November 2023.

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IH thanked all for their contribution, and the meeting closed at 20.10 hrs.