## CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

held at The Community Hall, Boat of Garten on 4th September 2009 at 10.30am

#### **PRESENT**

Peter Argyle Mary McCafferty Willie McKenna Eric Baird Stuart Black Eleanor Mackintosh Duncan Bryden lan Mackintosh Jaci Douglas Anne MacLean Dave Fallows Alastair MacLennan Lucy Grant Fiona Murdoch David Green **Andrew Rafferty** Marcus Humphrey **Gregor Rimell Bob Kinnaird** Richard Stroud

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Don McKee Derek Manson

Marie Duncan

**APOLOGIES:** 

Geva Blackett Drew Hendry

Susan Walker

# AGENDA ITEMS I & 2: WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

- I. The Convenor welcomed all present and introduced Simon Stewart who was standing in for Karen Archer (CNPA Press Officer).
- 2. Apologies were received from the above Members.

### **AGENDA ITEM 3:**

## MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

3. The minutes of the previous meeting 21<sup>st</sup> August 2009, held at the Albert Hall, Ballater were approved subject to the removal of Alistair MacLennan's name from DOI on Item No 7.

4. There were no matters arising.

# **AGENDA ITEM 4:**

# DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS ON ANY ITEMS APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

- 5. Jaci Douglas, Dave Fallows, & Mary McCafferty declared an interest in Planning Application No. 09/272/CP.
- 6. Alistair MacLennan declared an interest in Planning Application No. 09/274/CP.
- 7. Dave Fallows & Marcus Humphrey declared an indirect interest in Planning Application No. 09/275/CP.

## **AGENDA ITEM 5:**

### PLANNING APPLICATION CALL-IN DECISIONS

(Oral Presentation, Derek Manson)

- 8. 09/267/CP The decision was to call-in the application for the following reason :
  - The proposal represents the erection of a new dwellinghouse and the siting of a temporary residential caravan in a countryside area where there are general restrictions on residential development unless there is a demonstrable justification. The site also lies within an Area of Landscape Significance. The proposal therefore generates considerations in relation to the principle of housing in countryside areas, precedent for other similar developments, and the cumulative visual and landscape impacts of single houses throughout the countryside of the National Park. As such the proposal is viewed as raising issues of general significance to the collective aims of the Cairngorms National Park.
- 9. 09/268/CP No Call-in
- 10. 09/269/CP No Call-in
- 11. 09/270/CP No Call-in
- 12. 09/27 I/CP No Call-in

Jaci Douglas, Dave Fallows & Mary McCafferty declared an interest and left the room

- 13. 09/272/CP No Call-in
  - Jaci Douglas, Dave Fallows & Mary McCafferty returned
- 14. 09/273/CP No Call-in
- 15. 09/274/CP No Call-in
- 16. 09/275/CP The decision was to call-in the application for the following reason :
  - The proposal involves the installation of a 6m span timber footbridge and the construction of 1170m of path linking Highland Society Bridge to the Glenshee Road in Braemar. The proposal raises a range of issues with regard to natural heritage and promoting understanding and enjoyment of the area. Consequently, the proposal raises issues of significance for the collective aims of the Cairngorms National Park.
- 17. 09/276/CP No Call-in
- 18. 09/277/CP No Call-in

#### COMMENTING ON APPLICATIONS NOT CALLED-IN BY THE COMMITTEE

20. The Members wished to make comments to the Local Authorities on the following Planning Application No's 09/270/CP, 09/271/CP & 09/272/CP. The planning officers noted these comments and were delegated with the responsibility of whether or not to submit the comments to the Local Authorities.

## AGENDA ITEM 6: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

21. Stuart Black suggested that the reason/rationale for declaration of interest should be minuted in future in interests of transparency, Peter Argyle & Lucy Grant agreed. Duncan Bryden discussed with committee precisely how this should be minuted.

# AGENDA ITEM 7: DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 22. Friday 10.30am 18th September 2009 at Talla nan Ros, Kingussie.
- 23. Committee Members are requested to ensure that any Apologies for this meeting are submitted to the Planning Office in Ballater.
- 24. The meeting concluded at 11:00hrs.