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# CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

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## **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING** **held via LifeSize Video Conferencing** **on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 9.30am**

### **PRESENT**

*(By video conferencing unless stated otherwise)*

Xander McDade (Convener)	Willie McKenna
Carolyn Caddick (Deputy Convener)	Ian McLaren
Peter Argyle	Dr Fiona McLean
Deirdre Falconer	William Munro
Pippa Hadley	Anne Rae Macdonald
John Kirk	Dr Gaener Rodger
John Latham (by phone)	Derek Ross
Douglas McAdam	Judith Webb
Eleanor Mackintosh	

### **In Attendance:**

Grant Moir, Chief Executive  
David Cameron, Director of Corporate Services  
Murray Ferguson, Director of Planning and Rural Development  
Gavin Miles, Head of Planning and Communities  
Dan Harris, Planning Manager  
Vicky Walker, Office Services Manager  
Dee Straw, Planning Administrator  
Nina Caudrey, Planning Officer  
Roslyn MacDonald, Harper Macleod  
Peter Ferguson, Harper Macleod

**Apologies:**           Geva Blackett           Janet Hunter

### **Welcome and Introduction**

I. Xander McDade, the Convener, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **Approval of Previous Minutes**

2. There were no minutes due to be approved at today's meeting. Minutes from Board meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021 would be approved at the next full board meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

## **Declarations of Interest**

3. Xander McDade declared that he had responded to the consultation on the LDP as a councillor of Highland Perthshire.

## **Adoption of Local Plan (Paper 1)**

4. Dan Harris, Planning Manager and Gavin Miles, Head of Planning and Communities presented Paper 1, Adoption of Local Development Plan which sought the Board's approval to adopt the Local Development Plan as amended. Once adopted, the LDP will replace LDP 2015 and will be the Local Development Plan for 5 years from 2021 to 2026.
5. On 13 November 2020 the CNPA Board approved the modifications to the proposed LDP and the publication of the Notice of Intention to Adopt the Plan.
6. On 2 February 2021 the CNPA received notice of a Direction from Scottish Ministers under Section 20 (5) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997. The direction is to amend the Proposed LDP (as modified) so that the settlement statements for Aviemore, Kingussie, Newtonmore, Blair Atholl, Carr-Bridge, Bruar and Pitagowan, Calvine, Dalwhinnie and Killiecrankie contain the line within their settlement objectives: "Please consult the Transport Scotland website for the latest A9 dualling route information. This can be accessed via; A9 Dualling Perth to Inverness ([transport.gov.scot](http://transport.gov.scot))."
7. The CNPA cannot adopt the Plan unless the direction is followed or Ministers withdraw it.
8. The Board considered the detail in the Paper and discussions took place around the following:
  - a) It was confirmed that the changes made through the Ministers' direction do not affect the conclusions reached by the CNPA in its Habitats Regulations Appraisal (HRA) or the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) as outlined in paragraph 6 of the Board report.

b) Xander McDade, Carolyn Caddick and Peter Argyle all thanked the team involved for a fantastic and thorough piece of work.

9. **The Board adopted the proposed LDP as modified and directed by Scottish ministers.**

10. **Action Point Arising:**

i. **Planning Committee to be supplied with a hard copy of the Local Development Plan as adopted when available.**

### **AOCB**

11. The Board raised no items under Other Competent Business:

### **Date of Next Meeting**

12. Next formal Board meeting to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021 via Lifesize Video Conferencing.

13. The meeting concluded at 09:45.