



# Approved Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

Held at Cairngorms National Park Authority HQ, Grantown on Spey

## Hybrid

14 June 2024 at 10.00am

### Present:

Chris Beattie (Planning Convener)  
Eleanor Mackintosh (Deputy Planning Convener)  
Kenny Deans  
Russell Jones  
Lauren MacCallum

Sandy Bremner  
Peter Cosgrove  
Paul Gibb  
John Kirk

### Virtual

Geva Blackett  
Xander McDade  
Steve Micklewright  
Derek Ross  
Peter Ferguson, Harper MacLeod LLP

Dr Hannah Grist  
Dr Fiona McLean  
Ann Ross

### Apologies

Jackie Brierton  
Duncan Miller

Bill Lobban

### In Attendance

Gavin Miles, Director of Planning and Place  
Emma Bryce, Planning Manager, Development Manager  
Sarah Fletcher, Planning Officer, Development Planning and Environmental Advice  
Dan Harris, Planning Manager, Forward Planning and Service Improvement  
Karen Johnstone, Clerk to the Board



## Agenda Item 1 and 2

### Welcome and Apologies

1. The Planning Convener welcomed all present including members of the public and apologies were noted.

## Agenda Item 3

### Declarations of Interest

2. Russell Jones declared an interest on Item 6 as it has been discussed at Highland Council Planning Committee which he also sits on.
3. Derek Ross declared an Interest on Item 6 as previously made comments in national press about the cumulative effect and impact of wind farms on the landscape.

## Agenda Item 4

### Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

4. The minutes of the previous meeting on 26 April 2024 held at Cairngorms National Park Authority, Grantown on Spey and Hybrid were approved with no amendments.
5. Matters Arising:
  - a) Authority delegated to officers to take enforcement action to prevent further unauthorised development of the site if required.
  - b) Planning Committee Convener to write to the applicant to convey the committee's significant disappointment at the retrospective nature of the application. *Completed*

## Agenda Item 5

### Application for Detailed Planning Permission 2024/0005/DET (29/05974/FUL)

Erection of 6 no. housing units (3 blocks of semi-detached housing) at Land 65M South of 22 Kerrow Drive, Kingussie.

6. Item 5 was not considered as officers had been informed of a change to the context of the application that would change the content of the papers prepared.

10.05am Russell Jones and Derek Ross left the room ahead of Item 6.



## Agenda Item 6

Dell 2 Windfarm, 2024/0068/PAC (ECU00003440)

**Recommendation:** no objection

7. Sarah Fletcher, Planning Officer, Development Planning and Environmental Advice presented the paper to the committee.
8. The Committee were invited to ask for clarity, and the following points were raised:
  - a) A board member sought clarity on the impacts of the lights. Sarah Fletcher, Planning Officer explained that the lights are 200 candelas, however they will be dimmed automatically if they are seen beyond 5km. As the Park is 8km away, this should have very little effect on our dark skies.
9. The Committee were invited to discuss the report. The following points were raised:
  - a) Board Members thanked the officer for the clarity in the report and for the breakdown of the effects and impacts this would have on us.
10. The Committee approved the application.
11. Action Points arising: none

10.31am Derk Ross and Russell Jones returned to join the committee.

## Agenda Item 7

### AOCB

12. Gavin Miles, Director of Planning and Place noted that they had received notification of an appeal against the enforcement notice served by the Park Authority on unauthorised development in Tolquhonie woods near Carrbridge. Officers will be responding to the appeal with the help of our legal advisers.
13. Gavin Miles, Director of Planning and Place updated the board that both new Senior Planners have started in the posts since the last planning committee. Colin Bryans started a few weeks ago in the Development Management team and Jeff Pyrah started this week in the Forward Planning team, both were welcomed.



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14. The Committee Convener raised a motion to move to a confidential session.

The public business of the meeting concluded at 10.33am

Date of the next meeting is 9 August 2024