
CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

held at The Albert Hall, Boat of Garten
on 17th November 2017 at 11.00am

Members Present

Peter Argyle
Rebecca Badger
Carolyn Caddick
Angela Douglas
Paul Easto
Dave Fallows
Pippa Hadley
Janet Hunter
Gregor Hutcheon

John Latham
Eleanor Mackintosh (Convener)
Xander McDade
Ian McLaren
Willie McKenna
Gordon Riddler (Deputy Convener)
Judith Webb
Brian Wood

In Attendance:

Gavin Miles, Head of Planning & Communities
David Berry, Planning Manager, Forward Planning & Service Improvement
Murray Ferguson, Director of Planning & Rural Development
Alix Harkness, Clerk to the Board

Apologies: Geva Blackett Dave Fallows
Walter Wilson

Agenda Items 1 & 2:

Welcome

1. The Convener on behalf of the Committee sent their best wishes to fellow Planning Committee member Dave Fallows who had undergone an operation earlier in the week.
2. The Convener welcomed all present and apologies were noted.

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3. The Deputy Convener announced that the Snow Roads development had won the Scottish Planning Award in both Place category and the People's choice category. He explained that he had attended the Awards ceremony and that 22 developments had been shortlisted all of which were of a very high standard. He congratulated Gavin Miles, Pete Crane and David Berry for all the work they had put into making it happen. Gavin Miles, Head of Planning & Communities added that it was a very good result and reward for the hard work of Pete Crane.
4. The Convener welcomed Luke Vogan and Colin Bradley, who had recently taken up the posts of Graduate Planners.

Agenda Item 3:

Minutes & Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting

5. The minutes of the previous meeting, 6 October 2017, held in the Community Hall, Boat of Garten were approved subject to the following amendment:
 - At Members Present - add Geva Blackett to the list of attendees as she had been present at that meeting.
6. There were no matters arising.
7. The Convener provided an update on the Action Points from the previous meeting:
 - a) Action point at Para. 20i) **Discharged** – Pete Crane circulated the voting information and the Snow Roads had subsequently won the People's choice as well an award in the 'Place' category.

Agenda Item 4:

Declaration of Interest by Members on Items Appearing on the Agenda

8. No interests declared.

Agenda Item 5:

Major Application Pre App Advice

Proposed New Community Hospital Health and Social Care Facility, Land 215M South of Spey House, Cairngorm Technology Park, Dalfaber Drive, Aviemore PRE/2017/0030

9. Gavin Miles, Head of Planning & Communities presented the paper to the Committee.
10. The Committee were invited to discuss the paper, the following points were raised:
 - a) A request that ample car parking is provided on the site to accommodate outpatient appointments.

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- b) Was it the intention to retain the public footpath under the railway? Gavin Miles confirmed that officers had already advised that this access should be upgraded as part of the application.
- c) A member noted recent research had shown that recovery time could be reduced if patients had the a green view from their window looking out therefore a suggestion was made to encourage the applicants to take this into consideration when designing the landscape plan for the site.
- d) Agreement that it would be useful to have accurate visualisations accompanying the application.
- e) Could transport to and from the hospital be incorporated in the application? Gavin Miles confirmed that active travel would be incorporated in the Active Travel plan.
- f) Could the applicant be asked to explore renewable energy options and energy efficiency? Gavin Miles agreed that they would be as per Local Development Plan policies.
- g) Could housing availability for support staff be included in the application? Gavin Miles confirmed that the proposal was for a community hospital only.
- h) Could the applicant be encouraged to ensure that the design of the development would be of a high quality? Gavin Miles confirmed that they would and as it would be a public building it was expected to be well-designed and built to a high standard.

11. The Committee noted the Proposal of Application Notification and the Officer's advice on the issues to address.

12. Action Point arising:

- i. Gavin Miles to take Planning Committee's points back to the applicant.**

Agenda Item 6:

Aviemore Highland Resort Site - Consultation Update

- 13. David Berry, Planning Manager, Forward Planning & Service Improvement presented the paper to the Committee.
- 14. The Committee were invited to discuss the update, the following points were raised:
 - a) Could it be noted that RSPB are not a statutory consultee? David Berry apologised and agreed this.
 - b) How had the statutory consultees responded? David Berry advised that most had commented on matters of detail which will largely be addressed in the final Development Brief. He also advised that a full consultation analysis would be

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Agenda Item 9:

Date of Next Meeting

28. Friday 15th December 2017 at The Community Hall, Boat of Garten
29. Committee Members are requested to ensure that any Apologies for this meeting are submitted to the Clerk to the Board, Alix Harkness.
30. The public business of the meeting concluded at 12.05hrs.