

CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

FOR DECISION

Title: BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE / GROUP MEMBERSHIP

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Purpose

To agree Board membership of Committees and Groups for the next year.

Recommendations

Board members are asked to agree the following:

- a) Nominations and substitutes for Cairngorms Nature, Active Cairngorms and the Economic Forum.**
 - b) Membership of the Communications and Brand Group.**
 - c) Any changes to membership of the other Groups/Committees for the coming year.**
 - d) Attendance at Community Council Meetings.**
 - e) Feedback mechanism from Groups to Board.**
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Internal & External Groups

1. The following table sets the current membership of the Board Committees and Groups that have a board representation.

	Group/Committee	Current Board Representative	Staff Lead
1	Finance Committee	Kate Howie Peter Argyll Eleanor Mackintosh Gregor Rimell Angela Douglas	David Cameron
2	Audit Committee	Brian Wood Fiona Murdoch Gordon Riddler Gregor Hutcheon Jeanette Gaul	David Cameron
3	Staffing and Recruitment Committee	Brian Wood Peter Argyll John Latham Katrina Farquhar Willie McKenna	Grant Moir David Cameron Kate Christie
4	Planning Committee	All	Murray Ferguson
5	Communications Group	Brian Wood Gregor Hutcheon Gregor Rimell Angela Douglas	Francoise van Buuren Grant Moir
6	Brand Group	Gregor Hutcheon Eleanor Mackintosh Katrina Farquhar	Grant Moir Francoise van Buuren Pete Crane Sandra Middleton
7	Convenors Group	Peter Argyll Brian Wood Eleanor Mackintosh Kate Howie Gordon Riddler	Grant Moir
8	COAT	Katrina Farquhar (attends as AC not CNPA) Gregor Hutcheon	Hamish Trench

	Group/Committee	Current Board Representative	Staff Lead
9	Cairngorms Nature Strategy Group	VACANT	Will Boyd-Wallis Andy Ford
10	Active Cairngorms Delivery Partnership	VACANT	David Clyne
11	Cairngorms Tourism Partnership	Paul Easto	Grant Moir Murray Ferguson Sandra Middleton
12	Cairngorm and Glenmore Partnership (CNPA Chair)	Bill Lobban (Bill attends as THC not CNPA)	Grant Moir Hamish Trench
13	Cairngorm LEADER Action Group (CLAG) Trust	Brian Wood	David Cameron
14	Highland Community Planning Partnership	Peter Argyll	Grant Moir
15	National Parks UK	Peter Argyll	Grant Moir
16	Farmers Forum	Eleanor Mackintosh Katrina Farquhar	Bruce McConachie Will Boyd-Wallis
17	Transform Team Glenlivet and Tomintoul	Eleanor Mackintosh Fiona Murdoch	Hamish Trench Sandra Middleton
18	Inclusive Cairngorms	Gordon Riddler	Elsbeth Grant
19	CDAG	Katrina Farquhar Gordon Riddler	Mike Cottam Will Boyd-Wallis
20	AoCC	Gregor Rimell Gordon Riddler	Lee Haxton
21	Developers Forum	Eleanor Mackintosh	Murray Ferguson Gavin Miles
22	LOAF	Gordon Riddler	David Clyne Adam Streeter-Smith
23	CRAGG	Willie McKenna Bill Lobban	Pete Crane
24	Cairngorms Economic Forum	VACANT	Grant Moir
25	Land Management Forum	Angela Douglas Eleanor Mackintosh	Will Boyd Wallis

2. There are 3 groups that have vacancies:

- a) Cairngorms Nature Strategy Group - The objectives and functions of Cairngorms Nature Strategy Group are:

- i. To provide strategic leadership of Cairngorms Nature to make a measurable difference to biodiversity in the Cairngorms National Park
 - ii. To inspire and provide support to individual and community involvement in local conservation projects
 - iii. To co-ordinate and maintain an overview of progress in biodiversity management across the whole National Park
 - b) Active Cairngorms Delivery Partnership - The functions of the new Active Cairngorms Delivery Partnership are to:
 - i. provide new and strong leadership in the delivery of the strategy
 - ii. engage a wide partnership in developing and promoting physical activity
 - iii. co-ordinate and keep an overview of the management and impact of projects
 - iv. inspire community involvement
 - c) Cairngorms Economic Forum - The purpose of the Cairngorms Economic Forum is to:
 - i. advise the Cairngorms National Park Authority and anyone who seeks advice on strategic issues associated with the development of a sustainable economy within the Cairngorms National Park;
 - ii. advise on the preparation and development of an Economic Development and Diversification Strategy for the Cairngorms National Park;
 - iii. oversee and advise on implementation and delivery of the Strategy and Action Plan;
 - iv. monitor delivery of the Strategy and Action Plan;
 - v. identify what is relevant and important to the Cairngorms National Park and to bring partners, both public and private, together in support and delivery of these; and
 - vi. promote discussion and the sharing of knowledge, awareness and good practice in matters relevant to sustainable economy within the Cairngorms National Park.
3. We are seeking a nomination and a substitute to attend each of these Groups on behalf of the Board.
4. There is also a proposal to merge the Brand Group and the Comms and Engagement Group to create a single board group that carries out the combined functions. This has been discussed with members from both Groups who are content with the proposed approach. Membership for the Communications and Brand Group is sought. It is proposed that the Vice-Convenor continues to convene the Group and we are seeking a further 3 members. It is suggested that due to the cross-over with the tourism sector that the Board representative on the CTP should also sit on this group.

5. If there are any other changes to membership of Board Committees or Groups these should also be notified and agreed by the Board. A paper on potential changes to the Planning Committee will be presented to Board in December 2015.

Community Council/Association Attendance

6. There is a need to ensure that CNPA Board members attend Community Councils/Associations on a regular basis. Local Authority Councillors already attend a number of CC's as do directly elected CNPA board members.
7. It is suggested that a more formal approach be adopted with Local Authority Councillors and the directly elected board members within each ward agreeing a rota of attendance so that for the most part there is a CNPA presence on a bimonthly basis as a minimum.

Ward 1 – Dave Fallows

- Blair Atholl & Struan Community Council
- Laggan Community Association
- Newtonmore & Vicinity Community Council
- Kingussie & Vicinity Community Council
- Kincaig & Vicinity Community Council – note that Kincaig **village** is in Ward 1 and a large part of the **landward area** is in Ward 2
- Killiecrankie & Fincastle Community Council – note that most of this area is outwith the National Park, however the **village** is inside
- Dalwhinnie Community Council – note that a significant part of the area is outwith the National Park, however the **village** is inside

Ward 2 – Willie McKenna

- Aviemore & Vicinity Community Council
- Boat of Garten & Vicinity Community Council
- Nethy Bridge & Vicinity Community Council – note that a large part of the **landward area** is in Ward 2, but Nethy Bridge **village** is in Ward 3
- Kincaig & Vicinity Community Council – note that a large part of the **landward area** is in Ward 2, but Kincaig **village** is in Ward 1

Ward 3 – Rebecca Badger

- Carr-Bridge and Vicinity Community Council
- Dulnain Bridge & Vicinity Community Council
- Grantown-on-Spey & Vicinity Community Council
- Cromdale & Advie Community Council

- Nethy Bridge & Vicinity Community Council – note that Nethy Bridge **village** is in Ward 3 and a large part of the **landward area** is in Ward 2

Ward 4 – Eleanor Mackintosh

- Kirkmichael & Tomintoul Community Association
- Glenlivet & Inveravon Community Association
- Donside Community Council – note that most of this area is **outwith** the National Park and the main population centre is in Alford, also outside
- Cromar Community Council – note that only a small part of this area within the National Park and the main population centres are Tarland and Logie Coldstone, both also outside

Ward 5 – Katrina Farquhar

- Braemar Community Council
- Ballater & Crathie Community Council
- Mid-Deeside Community Council – note that although a large part is within the National Park (including Dinnet), the main population centre is Aboyne, outside the National Park
- Inveresk Community Council – note that although a large part is within the National Park, it is mainly unpopulated. The main population centre is Edzell, outside the National Park
- Kirriemuir Landward East Community Council – note that although a large part is within the National Park, it is largely unpopulated. Main population centres are well outside the National Park
- Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council – note that most of the area is outside the National Park, including the main population centres
- Mount Blair Community Council – note that most of the population live outside the National Park in Kirkmichael, Bridge of Cally and Enochdhu

Feedback Mechanism

8. Each board member of the group they attend (not formal committees) will be asked by the CEO to provide a brief paragraph update on their group about 3 to 4 weeks before each board. This will be by exception i.e. information that has wider implications for the Board or Park. These will be included in the CEO report. Members will be asked to briefly speak to their issue if they wish and will notify the Convenor/CEO in advance if they wish to do so. If there are any other issues that members wish to notify the Board about they should notify the Convenor/CEO in advance and it will be taken either in this slot or as AOB.

Grant Moir
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