

PERTH AND KINROSS OUTDOOR ACCESS FORUM

MINUTE OF THE 64th MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2 HIGH STREET, PERTH AT 6PM 18th MAY 2017.

PRESENT

Nick Cole (Chair), Mary Conacher, Hugh Anderson, Councillor Michael Barnacle, John Andrews, Heather Baker, Bob Ellis, Jennifer Herd, Peter Pearson.

IN ATTENDANCE

Dave Stubbs, PKC (Minutes).

1. APOLOGIES

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2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTE OF LAST MEETING ON 9TH FEBRUARY

Still to be approved as May Meeting was not quorate.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Waymarking over trunk roads deferred for a future meeting.

Networking with other Access Fora deferred for a future meeting.

Tillyrie/Athron Hill deferred for a future meeting.

Obstructions Process. JA and DS have discussed possible changes. Remit process map back to Sub Group and Andy Clegg to agree. **Action DS.**

Pitcastle. DS to follow up with DB and confirm when signs are up. **Action DS.**

Wallace Park gate. Now resolved.

Walnut Grove remains an ongoing issue.

Core paths amendments. Work ongoing. See below.

Publicising closed or hazardous paths. Members report this is still hard to find on the PKC website. DS to investigate improvements. **Action DS.**

Portmoak Newsletter article re dogs and livestock still to be circulated. **Action MSS/MB.**

Bankfoot footpath signs. HB had asked DS about this at February meeting in relation to equestrian access. **Action DS**

The new angler's car park at Kinclaven. **Action MC** to speak to the owner (SMN) about access for paddlers.

5. EXEMPTIONS AND OBSTRUCTIONS REPORT

- 5(i) Exemptions. None
- 5(ii) Obstructions Report noted. Issues to be removed as recommended by Sub-group agreed subject to approval at a future quorate meeting. **Action DS.**

6. CORE PATHS UPDATE

- 6(i) Core Paths Implementation Report. Contents noted.
- 6(ii) Core Paths Amendments. One objection (Inchtute) was made and subsequently withdrawn. Report listing amendments to go forward to be circulated. **Action DS.**

7. AGM & ELECTIONS

- 7(i) This will be held in the Sandeman Room at the AK Bell Library at 6pm on Wednesday 31st May. Bob Ellis will speak about the work of the Forum and there will be a question and answer session.
- 7(ii) BE, NC and JA wish to stand again. HB has offered to stand down and another local rider, Karen Inskter, has put herself forward for the place. MB reported that it had been agreed that he would take the PKC seat on the Forum. BE would take his Communities seat, all subject to the election and Committee approval.

8. WATER ISSUES REPORT

- 8(i) MC reported an incident on the river near Stanly had been reported to the Police.
- 8 (ii) MC reported that a planning application had been made for a house adj. the Bleaton Hallet Bridge and that this might have implications for access to the river. **Action DS** to find application online and advise MC how to comment.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

9. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

- 9(i) MB reported that following recent Council elections Councillor Murray Lyle would be replacing Councillor Ellis in his role as the Council's rep. on the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park the autumn. Councillor McDade would take up a similar role on the Cairngorms National Park.
- 9(ii) DS reported on an emerging access issue Newtyle Quarry. NC reported that the developer and the climbers using the site had reached an understanding about it.
- 9(ii) Broxden RoW. DS briefed members on proposals to stop up the end of the Tinkers Loan RoW between Lamberkine Drive and the Broxden Roundabout. **Action DS** to follow up proposal arising from the West Perth Charrette. Is it possible that the route could be diverted under the A9 just to the north rather than being stopped up?

10. DATES, VENUE AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday 31st May (AK Bell Library) AGM

Thursday 10th August (2 High Street)

Thursday 16th November (2 High Street).