

Moray Local Outdoor Access Forum

23rd Meeting

Minutes

4th August 2011

Present: Ian Douglas, Moray Council Access Manager

Members Present:

R Knight, W Metcalfe, R Macpherson, J Oliver, F Murdoch, D Barron, S Tyson, T Anderson, M Stelmach, R Bromby, J Smith, D McPherson and Dave Stewart

Non Attendees: I Green

Minute Secretary: C Shanks

The meeting was Chaired by Roger Knight.

Item		Action
1.0	Apologies M Young, A Watson (SNH), J Trythall, A Glover, G Bain, R Marks	
2.0	Accuracy of Previous Minutes <i>7.0 Dorenell Wind Farm:</i> The wording in the second sentence 'was be one way' should be changed to read 'would be one way'.	CS
3.0	Matters Arising Welcome New Members: J Smith and D McPherson (paddlers' representative) were made welcome as new Members of the Forum. Reni Milburn of Moray Council was also welcomed to the meeting to advise on agenda item 6 (setting up a Trust). Dorenell Wind Farm: It was noted that a decision on this had not yet been issued. ID advised the Forum that he wasn't sure when the decision would be issued but he would update the committee at the next meeting.	ID
4.0	Core Paths Plan It was noted that Moray Council had adopted the plan on 28 th August 2011 and that they would now amend the text within the plan and update the maps on the website by September 2011. ID also advised that he had been invited to speak about this topic on KC Radio.	

<p>5.0</p>	<p>Business Plan</p> <p>ID circulated a copy of the Business Plan and a discussion followed.</p> <p>3) Moray Local Development Plan – It was noted that other targets could evolve from this and that Mark Cross would be attending the November meeting of the Moray LOAF.</p> <p>4) Publicity and Promotion – ID agreed to speak to Rita Marks regarding production of the final strategy by November 2011.</p> <p>5) Reinforce Links with Community/User Groups – WM asked if there was any need for a sub-heading and FM was of the opinion that the letter could be shorter. IMD to amend letter and send out on behalf of Forum.</p> <p>9) CPP IMP – Signage – It was noted that this was pending as the plan had still to be adopted and funding options had still to be identified.</p> <p>12) Review of LOAF Constitution/Policies – It was noted that the sub policy group would need to be re-convened before reviewing policy documentation in 2012.</p> <p>13) Review Moray Outdoor Access Strategy – It was agreed to take the issues paper forward to a Strategy and RK asked for a volunteer which was to be WM. February 2012 was agreed as a target date for this.</p>	<p>ID/RM</p> <p>ID</p> <p>WM</p>
<p>6.0</p>	<p>Moray LOAF Involvement in Setting up a Trust</p> <p>Reni Milburn of Moray Council Economic Development Section gave a briefing to the Forum to advise how best to set up a Trust and suggested keeping the set-up very simple and that Moray Council have templates, etc which would be available to assist the process. She explained that a new type of funding called ‘Community Space’ would be available. She also suggested that a working group could be formed and Moray Council could provide the templates, etc to assist them. RK explained that this was still in the early stages. Reni Milburn agreed to work with the sub group in setting up the new organisation. Following the Public Meeting held in June the overall consensus seems to be to go ahead.</p> <p>It was therefore agreed that the way forward would be to set up a sub-group to meet with Reni then come back to the Forum with recommendations from this. Volunteers were requested and the following agreed to form the sub-group: R Knight, R Bromby, T Anderson, D McPherson, F Murdoch, (I Douglas – administration). Recommendations from the sub group would be available for discussion at the November meeting of the Forum as it was hoped they would have their first meeting sometime around the second half of September.</p>	<p>RK/RB/TA/ DMcP/FM/ ID</p>
<p>7.0</p>	<p>AOCB</p> <p>NAF Minutes – Following circulation of these Minutes the question was raised as to how do landowners find out what signage they are allowed to erect. ST advised that this could be discussed with a lawyer for clear advice.</p>	<p>ST</p>

8.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the Moray Local Outdoor Access Forum will take place on Tuesday 8 th November 2011 at 4pm in Elgin Library.	
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