

CRAGG

CAIRNGORM, ROTHIEMURCHUS AND GLENMORE GROUP

Meeting on Tuesday 14th June 2007
6pm at Glenmore Lodge

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Present/Apologies

Present

Tim Walker (Acting Chair)	Glenmore Lodge
Johnnie Grant	Rothiemurchus Estate
Anne Dempster	Rothiemurchus and Glenmore Community Association
Walter Dempster	Local History Group
Julie Brown	Rothiemurchus and Glenmore Community Association
Philippa Grant	Cairngorms Chamber of Commerce
Sally Dowden	Cairngorms Chamber of Commerce
Willie McKenna	Rothiemurchus and Glenmore Community Association
Bob Kinnaird	Cairngorm Mountain Ltd
Dave Fallows	Highland Council
Murray Ferguson	Cairngorms National Park Authority
Jack MacKay	Forestry Commission Scotland
Mary Ferguson	Rothiemurchus and Glenmore Community Association
Jeremy Roberts	RSPB
Alan Rankin	DMO

Apologies

David Jardine	Forestry Commission Scotland
Alan Bantick	Scottish Wildlife Trust
Audrey McKenzie	Aviemore and Vicinity Community Council
Keith Duncan	Scottish Natural Heritage

2. Minutes of meeting on 13th March 2007

An amendment to the minutes should be made to show Walter Dempster present at the meeting. With this amendment made they were approved.

3. Matters Arising

There has been no comment made on any amendment of the Rules of Procedure so it was therefore proposed that these be adopted.

The new email contact list was confirmed.

4. CLIM-ATIC –Northern Periphery Programme Preparatory Project

Bob gave an update on the project and proposed that he keep a watching brief and will report back if it appears that there would be benefit to the community to become part of this.

5. History Project

Philippa would contact UHI as discussed in the last meeting. Bob mentioned that some of the local secondary age schools had received training in how to interview and that they might be able to be used. Alan Rankin suggested that funding might be available from Ancestral Tourism through Visit Scotland; Alan offered to pursue this further. All present agreed to continue to think of funding options and for people who might be suitable to carry forward the project. **ACTION: PG & AR**

6. Proposed Events Policy

Murray gave an update on the Parks progress in this area and confirmed that the Parks strategy would soon be available in printed form (limited supply) and on line to download. There had also been a meeting with the DMO as to the part they could play in attracting events to the area, future meetings would be held with more people invited to take part. Philippa suggested that after the Outsider Festival it would be a good idea to speak to the organisers to see if there were ways that the organising and planning could be improved and also possible frameworks, which could be used. It was acknowledged that there was a vast wealth of expertise sitting around the table and that this should be used to move forward the guidelines.

7. Information Sharing

- a) It was agreed that at the next meeting that a presentation from **O.A.P.** would be received on the development of Mountain Biking in the area.
- b) The **Rothiemurchus and Glenmore Community Association AGM** is on the 6th July, 7.30pm at Badaguish. Cheese & Wine to follow AGM.
- c) The **Community Association** has been involved in the erection of a new gate at the Bailey Bridge to allow access for all users.
- d) Peter Ferguson has returned from his trip to Norway and will be giving a presentation at Glenmore Lodge on the 28th June at 8pm, All Welcome.
- e) The roads department have sorted out the steps at Rothiemurchus Village Green, put fencing around the bike track at Inverdrue, cleared the drains by the rescue post and road markings at the Glenmore turning.
- f) **Speysound radio** has been successful in gaining a license for transmitting to the local community.
- g) The Aviemore to Glenmore cycleway plan has been submitted for consent. The Park will be considering what funding may be available.
- h) The planning for the **Between 2 Worlds** event has been progressing with tickets on sale in July. The event will run from the 2nd – 18th November.
- i) Planning for the **Beglan Trail** has been approved and work will start soon.
- j) Scottish Water is seeking to replace the current sewage works in Glenmore with a larger system to allow for any future developments in the area.
- k) The play area in Glenmore will be replaced with new play equipment by the Army week commencing the 23rd July.
- l) The Loch Garten Ospreys have hatched 1 egg.
- m) The date of the Maximillian event is unclear. Jeremy will seek clarification as to the exact date and report back.
- n) The **Core Paths Consultation** continues until the end of June.
- o) The local development plan will begin a consultation period from the 9th July until the end of September.
- p) The Visit Forum are conducting a review of print based information on the National Park, questionnaires are available if wanted.
- q) The Chamber of Commerce will update the CRAGG website providing it receives information. The CofC email will be added to the circulation list of minutes for these to be added to the site.
- r) The **Jon Roy Stuart** weekend is the 18th & 19th August.
- s) There will be a meeting on Monday 18th June in Grantown on Spey at 7.30pm for Paddlers and Land Managers to discuss the possibility of the River Spey becoming a Core Path.
- t) The B970 will be closed from the 22nd to 25th June for the **Outsider Festival**.
- u) **Rothiemurchus Estate** hopes to receive more information soon regarding the Public Benefits study.
- v) The **Olympic Tribute** now has the granite base in place and work is progressing on the bronze statues. £24k of the £35k is in place.

8. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 12th September at 6pm at Glenmore Lodge – Chair, Sally Dowden.

10. Chairs agreed for the following meetings:

Sally agreed to chair the next meeting

