

PERTH AND KINROSS OUTDOOR ACCESS FORUM

MINUTE OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE CIVIC LOUNGE, 2 HIGH STREET, PERTH AT 6PM 2nd August 2018 (69th meeting).

PRESENT

Nick Cole (Chair), Mary Conacher, Karen Inkster, Sue James, Sandy Simpson, Hugh Anderson, John Andrews.

IN ATTENDANCE

Dave Stubbs, PKC (Minutes).

1. APOLOGIES

Jennifer Herd, Peter Pearson, Mike Strachan, Annie Benson & Bob Ellis.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTE OF LAST MEETING ON 18TH FEBRUARY 2018 & 24TH MAY

Approval deferred until November. Meeting not quorate.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Deferred

5. EXEMPTIONS AND OBSTRUCTIONS REPORT

- 5(i) There have been no new applications for exemption orders received.
- 5(ii) Issue 29 (cams no. 0098) **Action KI** to ask Jane Pritchard about access arrangements for horses at Little Glen Shee.
- 5(iii) Obstructions Report noted. Resolved issues cannot be removed as meeting was not quorate.

6. NATIONAL ACCESS FORUM

- 6(i) Scotways and the Ramblers plan to offer training to Local Access Forum members. DS confirmed PKC would pay reasonable expenses to enable members to attend.
- 6(ii) **Action DS** to investigate options for mediation training similar to that which Forum members attended in 2006.

7. WATER ISSUES. (VERBAL REPORT MC)

- 7(i) The landowner has identified the poor state of the steps into the river at Netherton Bridge (Fife?). The SCA plan to replace these steps.

- (7(ii) Summer low water highlighted a problem of logs trapped in the river at Cargill's Leap. These logs may present a danger to paddlers but are not a flood risk. MC to approach NC about a possible local solution.

8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & MEMBERSHIP ISSUES ARISING

- 8(i) Donny Broad, Bob Ellis and Mark Thomson had stood down at the AGM. **Action NC** to write to MT & BE to thank them for their contributions.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

- 10(i) NC reported that the Cairngorms Access Form had reduced their meetings to 2 per year. Members present agreed to stick to 4.
- 10(ii) 2019 dates to be discussed/agreed at next meeting. Thursday evenings remain a problem for some members. **Action All to** bring diaries.
- 10(iii) SS no movement on negotiations re A9 dualling, however there is recent media coverage about compulsory purchase orders. **Action DS** to find out more.
- 10(iv) **Action DS** to circulate detail of current planning applications relation to the Panholes Level Crossing for Forum Comment.
- 10(v) JA asked for rights of way to be included on future published core path mapping. **Action DS** to investigate.