

## NAIRN WARD BUSINESS MEETING

**ACTION NOTE FROM THE MEETING HELD ON: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 at 9.30am,  
in the Chamber, Nairn Court House and via MS Teams.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr. Laurie Fraser (LF), Cllr. Michael Green (MG), Cllr. Barbara Jarvie (BJ), Cllr. Paul Oldham (PO), Lewis Hannah – Ward Manager (LH) and Lynne Staines – Business Support (LS).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Sara Murdoch – Common Good Fund Officer, Matt Johnstone – Principal Estates Surveyor, Jimmy Gray, Brian Urquhart, Don Wright, Nicola Drummond – Ness Planning, Tony O’Sullivan – Ardersier Port Owner, Steve Regan – Ardersier Port CEO, Murray MacDonald – Roads Technician and Lara Harrison - Accountant

**APOLOGIES:** Louise Sanderson and Emma Calder

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION AGREED	LEAD
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>		
1.1	Approval of 11.02.23 and 16.02.23 a/n	◦ No comments/amendments raised. Actions notes approved.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Nairn Area Business</b>		
2.1	Joint CC meeting	<b>Action</b> ◦ PO to advise NRCC to email specific questions regarding the WBM and Area Committee governance to LH, for a response.	<b>PO / LH</b>
2.2	Waste: Reuse, Repurpose & Recycle model	<b>Action</b> ◦ HIE to be invited to attend a future WBM to discuss Nairnshire projects and funding.	<b>LH/LS</b>
2.3	Service 20 bus route	<b>Action</b> ◦ Item to be carried forward to April WBM.	<b>LS</b>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Nairnshire Committee Planning</b>		
3.1	For discussion	<b>Action</b> ◦ Special Committee to be arranged for 10.30am on Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March.	<b>LH</b>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Nairn Common Good</b>		
4.1	Common Good land – let applications ◦ Nairn County Soccer 7’s	◦ Following discussion with Members, LH approved the let application. <b>Action</b> ◦ Applicant to be advised and let confirmation issued.	<b>LS</b>
	◦ Mikey’s Line benches - update	◦ Members noted the update regarding the locations for the listening benches. <b>Action</b>	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members commented that some areas in Nairn have no benches at all. Item to be discussed further during future WBM's as &amp; when future opportunities for replacement/new benches arise.</li> </ul>	<b>LH / LS</b>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Funding Applications</b>		
5.1	<u>Ward Discretionary Budget 2022 - 2023</u>		
	◦ n/a	◦ n/a	
5.2	<u>Place Based Investment Funding</u>		
	◦ Nairn Academy - Turning Tables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following discussion with Members, LH approved the application.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicant to be advised and funding processed for payment.</li> </ul>	<b>LS</b>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>AOCB</b>		
6.1	◦ Queenspark Residents Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group submitted a further COL application after the fund had closed.</li> <li>Members advised they are keen to support the group.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LH will advise the group to submit a WDF application for consideration from that budget.</li> </ul>	<b>LH</b>
6.2	◦ NRCC membership	<p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LH to look into the membership of the CC and liaise with the elections team and Community Council Chair if required.</li> </ul>	<b>LH</b>
6.3	◦ Seagulls Byelaw	<p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LH to liaise with colleagues and Nairn BID to progress discussions.</li> </ul>	<b>LH</b>
6.4	◦ Area Place Plan	<p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LH to contact Scott Dalgarno and request that a meeting is arranged with Members as soon as possible to discuss the next steps.</li> </ul>	<b>LH</b>
6.5	◦ Community Centre – Community Asset Transfer	<p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LH to establish if a CAT EOI has been received in respect of the Community &amp; Arts Centre.</li> </ul>	<b>LH</b>
6.6	◦ River Nairn Flood Prevention survey	<p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At Members request, Duncan Sharpe to be invited to attend the next WBM to update on the flood survey review.</li> </ul>	<b>LH / LS</b>
6.7	◦ Nairn PC – vandalism	<p><b>Action</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Debbie Sutton to attend a future WBM to discuss what options are available for vandal proof PC's and/or measures that can be implemented to prevent unwanted access.</li> </ul>	<b>LS</b>
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b>	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	

#### **9.45am – Sara Murdoch (SM) & Matt Johnstone (MJ) – Seamans Hall consultation**

- Members noted the updated provided by SM and MJ.
- Following discussion with Members, LH advised SM and MJ to progress with the statutory consultation to dispose of the strip of land, with all consultation costs being met by Green Hive.

#### **Grant Street Yard – update**

- Members noted the update provided by SM and MJ.
- Consultation closes on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Action**

- SM and MJ to progress with the consultation for the strip of land at the Seamans Hall.
- MJ to forward LH the Grant Street Yard proposal that was submitted by The Little Theatre.

#### **10.00am – Jimmy Gray (JG), Brian Urquhart (BU) and Don Wright (DW) – McDermott's Memorial proposal**

- Members noted the update provided.
- LH advised that a statutory consultation may be required as the proposals would result in a permanent change of use for the CG land in question. It was also felt that this proposal would be a good item to take to the Common Good Fund Engagement Group once it has been established.
- Noted that planning permission may also be required.

#### **Action**

- LH to liaise with Sara Murdoch to ascertain if a statutory consultation would be required and report back to the group.
- JG/BU/DW to liaise with planning to ascertain what permissions, if any, would be required for the proposals.

#### **10.15am – Nicola Drummond (ND), Tony O'Sullivan (TS), Steve Regan (SR) and Murray MacDonald (MM) – Port of Ardersier road proposals**

- Members noted the update provided.

#### **Action**

- LH to arrange with colleagues for a report to Area Committee and explore required governance in respect of Ward 17 as the road sits along the boundary of both Wards.

#### **12.00pm – Lara Harrison (LHa) – NCG Investment performance summary / projections**

- Following discussion with Members, LH confirmed the investment should be left as is therefore no report will be required for Committee.