Marr Area Partnership Board Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday October 1st 2019**

# Boat Inn Aboyne

**Draft**

1. **Welcome & Present.**

Simon Blackett, Dave Conroy, Nicola Sedgwick George Wordie, Neil Bayfield, Andrew Fyfe, , Bill Slee, Reid Hutchison, Nick Mardall, Nigel Healey, Patricia Fraser, Natasha Pawlukiewicz, Kate Redpath

**2. Apologies.**

Apologies were received from Gregor Hutcheon, Janelle Clark and John Latham

Kate Redpath gave a brief introduction to the board about her new role in MAP

Natasha gave a brief introduction into her new role as community planning officer with Aberdeenshire Council

**3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting of June 2019**

Approved by and seconded by .NH and PF

**Action SB** to ask Brian Begg about continued role on MAP board

**Action NM** to ensure board documents circulated one week in advance of meeting.

It was agreed no extensions to the IGS deadline considered

**Action NH** to add financial approval mechanism to next meeting

AF provided an update on the website and a document for circulation

Emma will support AF in website evolution

RH reminded about charitable obligations so that charity number displayed on all MAP literature incl. emails, website and newsletters

**Action** MAP Officers to include charity number on email signatures and newsletter

RH discussed the value of the newsletter and we need to ensure its integrity. Caution not to dilute with too much irrelevant material.

DC discussed the need for MAP to remember who are customers are regarding the newsletter and website.

Nick and Kate provided the development officer’s report

Andrew Fyfe was officially appointed a board member of MAP

AF gave a directors update on community activity within Aboyne and discussed the issue and impacts around the poor state of the Huntly Arms Hotel.

**Action** **SB** to give AF introduction to the Prince’s Trust for potential support/input into Aboyne Town Planning concept.

 Nick mention the Community Planning Scotland Act and the importance on the input from communities mentioned in the Act.

**Action Nick** to follow up with CNPA about forum to inform about the Act and implications and opportunities for community involvement.

Vattenfall BS provided an update on the current agreement with Huntly and District Development Trust (HDDT) and the joint ownership aspect of the development

The Draft MOU is currently with Vattenfall

BS has persuaded Vattenfall to look at wider benefit of the joint ownership beyond AB54 to now include upper Donside

Action MAP to continue impetus in exploring the joint ownership as HDDT focussed on new building ownership with town centre.

**Action Nick** to look into CARES financial support for risk / finance and legal / institutional forms

NH asked RH if MAPs gain from the joint ownership arrangement in the development might impact the SLAs with the council RH felt it shouldn’t and indeed could strengthen the role of MAP and reduce the risk when the council considers SLA in future

NS agreed to be the board member supporting the contractual elements between the board and the officers

NB agreed to be the board member supporting the officer appraisals

DC agreed to be the board member responsible for the OSCR annual reporting commitment

**IGS**

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|  | Applicant | Project | Funding round | Amount Requested | Notes | Awarded |
| 1. | Logie Coldstone Curling Club | **Composting Toilet** | **October** | **£600** |  | **£600** |
| 2. | Inchmarlo Hall | **Community workshop**  | **October** | **£750** | **More info requested** |  |
| 3. | Grampian Transport Museum | **Young Engineers****Merlin project**  | **June** | **£750** |  | **£500** |

**Date of next meeting**

Thursday 5th December Highland Games Pavilion Braemar