

Minute of Meeting Clyde Muirshiel Park Authority Consultative Forum

Date	Time	Venue
Friday, 11 December 2020	10:00	Remotely by MS Teams ,

Present

Councillor Innes Nelson and Councillor David Wilson (both Inverclyde Council); Councillor Audrey Doig (Renfrewshire Council); Ian Dippie (Save The Gretas and Largs Community Council); Rita Holmes (Fairlie Community Council); Sybil Simpson and Nigel Willis (both Save Your Regional Park); Tabby Lamont (RSPB Scotland); Kerry MacKendrick (Lochwinnoch Community Council); and Roger Hissett (Scottish Wildlife Trust – Ayrshire Branch).

Chair

Councillor Nelson, Chair, presided.

In Attendance

F Carswell, Interim Park Co-ordinator (Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park); and F Carlin, Head of Planning and Housing Services, R Devine and T Slater, both Senior Committee Services Officers (all Renfrewshire Council).

Apology

Ross Anderson (Scottish Rural Property and Business Association).

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

1 Minute

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Consultative Forum held on 4 September 2020.

DECIDED: That the Minute be approved.

2 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

DECIDED: That it be noted that there were no matters arising.

3 Open discussion on future Park activities

During an open discussion on future Park activities reference was made amongst other things to the rationale for the decision to dissolve the Park Authority and factors that had informed that decision. A summary of proposed future management arrangements for the Park and potential alternative governance, funding and scrutiny arrangements which could be put in place to protect the park was also provided, together with an outline of possible future arrangements for the development of Park policies and plans. It was agreed that full details of the proposed 'oversight arrangements' be submitted to the next meeting.

DECIDED:

(a) That the information provided and the discussion points be noted; and

(b) That full details of the proposed 'oversight arrangements' be submitted to the next meeting.

4 The Friends of Clyde Muirshiel: Update

N Willis and S Simpson provided an update in respect of preparations made, to date, in connection with the formation and establishment of a 'Friends of Clyde Muirshiel' group as a means of highlighting community and environmental issues which may impact the Regional Park.

A number of potential remedies to address issues encountered were suggested.

DECIDED: That the information be noted.

5 Date of Next Meeting

DECIDED: That it be noted that the next meeting of the Consultative Forum would be held at 10.00 am on 19 February 2021.