

**Aberdeenshire Local Outdoor Access Forum
Draft Minutes of Meeting 56
11 May 2015– Council Chamber, Gordon House, Inverurie**

Present: Hamish Booth, David Culshaw, Alison Espie (Chair), John Hughes, Chris York, Adam Wallace.

Council officers present: Marsaili Aspinall, Matthew Watt.

Observers present:

	Apologies: Cllr Graeme Clark Mark Andrew, Andrew Robertson, John Fyall (part of meeting) Robin Maitland Gordon McKilligan, David Fyffe, Joanna Dick Judy Middleton	Action
1	<p>Minutes of special meeting</p> <p>Proposed John Hughes and seconded by Chris York. Signed off by Alison Espie and Hamish Booth. <u>Copies to be sent to Forum and included in Induction Action Pack</u></p> <p>Minutes of Meeting 56 and matters arising</p> <p>No update on Robin Maitland’s situation.</p> <p>Subject to one amendment about the NAF/LAF notes of meeting yet to be circulated to ALAOF, John Hughes proposed minutes as true records and Adam Wallace seconded.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>The meeting agreed that the “Action and Decisions Sheet” was very helpful and should be continued.</p> <p>ALOAF rotation schedule circulated for discussion at next meeting. Nomination forms for Chair to be circulated in advance of next meeting.</p> <p><u>Community Vacancy to be advertised on ALOAF website.</u></p>	<p>MA/MW</p> <p>MW/MA</p> <p>MA/MW</p>
2	<p>Future Briefings</p> <p><u>John Fyall has offered to host a site visit at Newmachar. MW to laise with JF and Ruth Riddell the BHS representative.</u></p>	MW

	<p>Police Scotland Wildlife Crime Officer to be invited to speak at 23 November 2015 meeting</p> <p>Chris York to be invited at a later date.</p> <p>Joint site meeting with MLOAF arranged for 25 May 2015 meeting at Huntly and looking at sites along the Deveron.</p>	AE/MW
	<p>Turriff Show</p> <p>The meeting agreed that the ALOAF display requires updating in advance of the Turriff Show.</p> <p>MA explored the possibility of hiring BAABARA the sheep from SNH but it was already booked. The meeting instructed MA to establish whwther SNH would consider producing another BBABARA if ALOAF helped with the cost.</p> <p>Displays to include Core Path maps and path brochures. Access officers to contact community groups and ask them to submit copies of their local path brochures for use at the show./</p> <p>Proposed rota to be discussed at 22 June meeting</p>	<p>MA</p> <p>MA</p> <p>MA</p>
	<p>Paths Update</p> <p>Path survey assessment – proactive management only. Non motorised path bridges in network has a huge financial implications and a paper is currently being prepared for Council members. 120 bridges on FBW alone.</p> <p>Transport study between Aberdeen and Peterhead/Fraserburgh currently underway. MW to circulate information so that ALOAF can have input at the appropriate time</p>	MW
	Access consultations, issues etc	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Wild Fisheries Review Panel – still awaited. • SRDP first applications due by 12 June 2015. The meeting noted that there was little for the famer. • NAF update. 	

	<i>[Meeting went into closed session to consider access issues at , Oyne Aboyne and Cornhill,.</i>	
4	Oyne	
	Aboyne	
	Cornhill	
10	2015 meetings	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dates, <u>5 October, 23 November.</u> • Venue <u>Gordon House Council Chamber</u> 	