Pentland Hills Regional Park Consultative Forum

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Friday 27 March 2009, at 2.00 pm
in Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith.

1   Order of Business

Including any notices of motion and any other items of business submitted as urgent for consideration at the meeting.

2   Declaration of Interests

Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.

3   Minutes

3.1   Pentland Hills Regional Park Consultative Forum 7 November 2008
(circulated) - for approval as a correct record

3.2   Pentland Hills Regional Park Joint Committee of 13 March 2009 – for information

4   Midlothian Council – Notice of Intention to Withdraw from Minute of Agreement for the Regional Park - report by Parks and Greenspace Manager, as earlier considered by the Joint Committee (circulated)

5   Transfer of Scottish Natural Heritage Funding to Local Authorities – report by Parks and Greenspace Manager, as earlier considered by the Joint Committee (circulated)

6   Establishment of a Charitable Trust – Further Research - report by Parks and Greenspace Manager, as earlier considered by the Joint Committee (circulated)

7   Calderstones, Biggar Road* - planning application - hotel development, etc., as submitted to Midlothian Council (planning application no. 08/04162/MLC) – report as was considered by the City of Edinburgh Council, as a consultee, on 28 January 2009 - for information purposes only (circulated)

8 Regional Park Headquarters – Re-location – the Acting Regional Park Manager will give a report and update

9 Regional Park - Update and Overview - the Acting Regional Park Manager will report: -

> 9.1 Remits and Projects
> 9.2 Management of commercial dog-walking activities/ Promotion of responsible dog walking
> 9.3 Camping – management
> 9.4 Prioritisation of resources

10 Forum Members Updates – opportunity for members to provide any updates on matters relevant to the Regional Park.

11 Date of Next Meeting – proposed: Friday 4 September 2009 (2.00 pm)

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John Sturt
Clerk

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- *this item requested to be added to the agenda by members, for discussion.

- *the planning application has yet to be considered by Midlothian Council.

PENTLAND HILLS REGIONAL PARK CONSULTATIVE FORUM

Membership:-

City of Edinburgh Council	Councillor Alastair Paisley
Midlothian Council	Councillor Owen Thomson (Chair)
West Lothian Council	Councillor Carl John
Farming	Robert Barr (NFU)
Pentland Produce	Alex Moir
Landowning	Alastair Salvesen (Scottish Rural Property and Business Association)
Ministry of Defence Estates	Mark Johnson
Scottish Wildlife Trust	Ken Knowles
Friends of the Pentlands	John Stirling
Fairmilehead Community Council	Alison Elfick
Kirknewton Community Council	Stewart McKenna
Damhead Community Council	Lorna Goudie
Harperrig Management Group	Graham Hamilton
Walkers representative	Johanna Carrie (Ramblers Association)
British Horse Society	Constance Newbold
Scottish Hill Runners	Keith Burns
Mountain Biking	Jim Riach (Cycling Scotland)
Disabled Users	Ingrid Holmes-Smith (Thistle Foundation)
Scottish Angling Society	Drew Jamieson (SANA)
Water Sports	Cliff Smith (Scottish Canoe Association)
Orienteering	Janet Clark (Edinburgh Southern Orienteering Club)
Scottish Water	Alan Fail
Scottish Natural Heritage	Carolyn Clarke
Sport Scotland	Campbell Gerrard
Historic Scotland (Archaeology)	Deirdre Cameron
Economic/Rural Development (Scottish Executive)	Jim Mason
Edinburgh and Lothians Tourist Board	Ben Carter
Regional Park Manager	Carol Huston (officer)
City of Edinburgh Council	Keith Logie
Midlothian Council	Linn Denholm (officer)
West Lothian Council	Chris Alcorn (officer))
Balerno Conservation and Development Group	Allan Laing

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