Notice of meeting and agenda

Pentland Hills Regional Park Consultative Forum

10.00 a.m., Friday 30 August 2013

In Swanston Golf Club, 111 Swanston Golf Club, 111 Swanston Road, Edinburgh EH10 7DS

This is a public meeting and members of the public are welcome to attend.

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1. Order of business

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

2. Declaration of interests

2.1 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. Deputations

3.1 (If any)

4. Minutes

4.1 Pentland Hills Regional Park Consultative Forum of 22 February 2013 (circulated) (for approval))

5. Regional Park Issues

5.1 Christine Grahame MSP - Outline of initial proposals to extend the existing Regional Park boundary.

5.2 2012/13 Annual Report for Regional Park – copy previously circulated to members

5.3 City of Edinburgh Council's Sports Strategy – Presentation by David Wardrope, Sports Development Manager

5.4 Mountain Bike Marathon Event – Presentation by Rare Events

5.5 Events in the Pentland Hills Regional Park – Presentation and discussion about progress of the Events Working Group - led by Susan Falconer, Senior Natural Heritage Officer

5.6 Path Improvements and Access Management - Presentation and discussion by Jenny Hargreaves (Senior Natural Heritage Officer) and Martin Duncan (Natural Heritage/Access Officer) and John Stirling, Friends of the Pentlands.

5.7 Consultative Forum - Members Updates.

6. Dates of Next Meetings

Dates for future meetings -

27 September 2013 (10.00 am)	PHRP Joint Committee
28 February 2014 (10.00 am	PHRP Consultative Forum
28 March 2014 (10.00 am)	PHRP Joint Committee

Carol Campbell

Head of Legal, Risk and Compliance (CEC) and Clerk to Joint Committee

Pentland Hills Regional Park Consultative Forum

The Consultative Forum members comprise the members of the Pentland Hills Regional Park Joint Committee, together with representatives of: Farming (Robert Barr (NFU); Pentland Produce (Alex Moir); Landowning (Alastair Salvesen); Ministry of Defence Estates (Maj. (Ret.) K Torp-Petersen); Scottish Wildlife Trust (Ken Knowles); Friends of the Pentlands (John Stirling); Harperrig Management Group (Graham Hamilton); Walkers (Euan Scroggie); British Horse Society (Constance Newbold); Scottish Hill Runners (Dr John Blair Fish); Mountain Biking (vacant); Disabled Users (Debbie Wilson (Thistle Foundation)); Scottish Angling Society (vacant); Water Sports (vacant); Orienteering (Janet Clark); Sport Scotland (Campbell Gerrard); Historic Scotland (Archaeology) (Deirdre Cameron); Economic/Rural Development (Scottish Executive) (Jim Mason); Edinburgh and Lothians Tourist Board (Sinead Feltoe); Balerno Village Trust (Allan Laing);

Community Councils - Balerno CC (Hugh Watt); Colinton Amenity Association (Bruce Rae); Currie CC; Fairmilehead CC (Alison Elfick); Juniper Green CC (Rob Melville); Carlops CC; Damhead Community Council (Natalie Frankish); Penicuik CC; West Linton CC; East Calder CC (Alan Wright); Kirknewton Community Council (Caroline Gerrard); West Calder and Harburn CC (John Smith).

Pentland Hills Regional Park Joint Committee Members

The City of Edinburgh Council: Councillors Bill Henderson (Convener); Dominic Heslop (Vice-Chair), and David Walker; Midlothian Council: Councillors Lisa Beattie; Jim Bryant, and Russell Imrie; West Lothian Council: Councillor Frank Tonner, and (Non-voting members):- Scottish Water: Alan Fail; Scottish Natural Heritage: Janice Winning; East Lothian Council (to be nominated), and a representative of each of the NFU (Scotland) and Scottish Land Estates (to be nominated).

Information about the Pentland Hills Regional Park Consultative Forum

The Consultative Forum is made up of representative interests of landowners, farmers and recreational user groups involved with the Regional Park, plus public bodies and other interests including Community Councils. The purpose of the Consultative Forum is to offer advice and opinion on the operation of the Regional Park. Their views are communicated to the Pentland Hills Regional Park Joint Committee which comprises elected members from the constituent local authorities, and other public bodies, and as iare responsible for the funding and governance of the Regional Park. The Consultative Forum meets at least twice each year at a venue within the Regional Park area. The Joint Committee members attend meetings of the Consultative Forum.

Further information

If you have any questions about the agenda or meeting arrangements, please contact David Emerson, Committee Services, City of Edinburgh Council, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1YJ Tel 0131 529 4230, e-mail david.emerson@edinburgh.gov.uk

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