

Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Bunachton Room, Farr Hall and online at GMeet:

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Present: Iain Campbell, Mike Danson, Sophia Headrick, Elna Harvey, Kirsten MacDonald, Megan Bee, Seanaidh Mackenzie

Apologies: Susan MacLennan, Hilary Lacroix, Ian Robinson. Seanaidh Mackenzie

Date: 18th June 2026

Time: 19.30 – 21:00

1. Welcome, introductions and apologies.

2. Minutes from previous meeting 28th May 2026

Approved

3. Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda.

a. SCBF response Ruth Kennedy Minister for the Strathdearn area has been agreed as the independent chair. She would like to have a pre meeting to agree an Agenda with the chairs and a couple of board members. Megan and Kirsten have agreed to attend. Proposed Monday evening for a meeting with Ruth to agree an agenda. DTAS and SSE have suggested an agreed memorandum should be produced by the end of a joint meeting.

b. Funding applications. Nothing current but Ryan Bell has been in touch to communicate that the consultation with the community has been proposed until the end of the Summer.

c. Social media. SH Happy to take any suggestions for further posts. Important to remember to post as an SDC member to provide clarity. SH happy to post on our behalf where needed.

Email received regarding suggestion that the former 'Grouse and Trout' could be bought out by the community. Discussion about the location of this and the costs involved both in purchase and running costs. Could there be options to turn into housing? It would need a feasibility study. MD to contact DTAS to look into further. Will get back to NM as reply.

4. New applications and recruitment of members.

No new members.

6. Treasurer's Report (PR)

Balance £9986.02

7. Sub-committees

1. Housing. No update currently.
2. Active travel (MB) Paul Robinson continuing discussions with Farr Estate and the Community Woodlands. Community Council discussion about the dangerous Balnafoich corner and the recent Lorry that shed logs on the road.
3. Social and health care. October looking more realistic date for beginning Childcare. The hall and pitches are provisionally booked but Highlife Highland are now able to rent schools for free. Highlife Highland have not been back in touch with SH. MB to contact Hazel for follow up. SH happy to take the lead on establishing PVG's for the board.
4. Culture and heritage. Cinema night report- It was a small turnout but it was a nice evening. EH will write up a wee report for the website.

MD has invited Steph Inglis to give a talk in the summer about her experiences as a Commonwealth Athlete and her brain injury.
5. Update from IR re the pump track. A Whatsapp group has been set up with interested parties to gauge ideas for the best location.

8. AOCB (please let Chair know before meeting)

9. DONM Thursday 20th August 2026