

## East Loch Shiel DMG Spring Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Conaglen Gunroom, Conaglen Estate.

Voting Members 10:45

Non-voting members, Stakeholders, Neighbours, Public 11:00.

### **Special Meeting.**

1. **Vote on adoption of proposed updated ELSDMG Constitution.**
2. **Formally appoint Vice Chair.**
3. **The proposal that future Autumn/Winter Ordinary meetings be held in a public place.**

### **Ordinary Meeting AGENDA: -**

1. **Chairman's welcome, any apologies.**
2. **Introduce our new SNH WMO and attendees.**
3. **Chairmans opening remarks.**
4. **Minutes of the previous meeting – and matters arising.**
5. **Training and Certification Log will be passed around for all to update, please. Group priority from 'Benchmark' & 'Public Interest'.**

The officers of the Group have considered that our key priorities which need to be addressed at this meeting are as follows.

6. **DMP Background Information update. DMP Working Plan Edition 1, Updated April 2019.**
7. **West – East Working Groups reports.** Comments invited.
8. **Estate reports.**
  - a. 2018/19 hind season cull.
  - b. Condition reports.
  - c. Poaching.
  - d. HIA.
  - e. Shelter and forage availability.
9. **Deer counts.**
  - a. Helicopter count report.
  - b. FES population assessment report.
  - c. Recruitment and Mortality count to be delegated.
10. **Population Modelling.** Will be carried out post all count and cull data receipt, and in good time for the main stag stalking season.
11. **Proposed stag cull, subject to adjustment post population model updates.**
12. **Collaborative Woodland Application addressing Conaglen Designated sites, Ardgour, Conaglen, Druim Laith and Glenscaddle woodland proposals.**
13. **Other Designated sites.**
14. **Training and Certification.**
15. **Sporting Rates Appeals.**
16. **SNH - Deer Management Group Assessment 2019.**

**Update from ADMG:**

**Update from FES:**

**Update from SNH including;** SNH WMO to provide clarity as to why our stated Habitat Impact Targets are not satisfactory. Further invitation to promote the ecological and local benefits of Peatland Restoration. Comment is also invited on the JNCC article on this link regarding re-wetting of peatlands. <http://jncc.defra.gov.uk/page-5905>

**Update from Neighbours.**

**Stakeholders and public comments.**

**AOB.**

Suggested date for the next AGM and Ordinary Meetings - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019