

Lochaber Rugby Football Club The Clubhouse Banavie Fort William Inverness-Shire PH33 7LY Please ask for: Dot Ferguson Direct phone: (01397) 707253 Your ref: Our ref: WM/GEN:DF/EM Date: 18 December 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

ASSET TRANSFER UNDER THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT DECISION NOTICE 30 NOVEMBER 2023

This Decision Notice relates to the asset transfer request made by **Lochaber Rugby Football Club (LFRC)** on the 4 January 2021, in relation to Banavie Rugby Pitch, Car Park and former Play Area.

The Highland Council has decided to **agree** the request.

Terms and Conditions

The request is agreed under the following terms and conditions:

- Land transferred should include all land currently under the LRFC lease;
- The title search is carried out by Highland Council;
- LRFC covers all reasonably incurred property and legal costs associated with the asset transfer process both the Council's and its own;
- Community access to use of the facility must be maintained;
- A right of pre-emption is proposed on the property to ensure that in the event the property is sold or otherwise disposed of, or should LRFC cease to be a Community Transfer Body as defined by the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, the Council will seek the option of re-purchasing the asset for the original value of £1.

To proceed with the process, Lochaber Rugy Football Club must submit an offer to the Highland Council within **six months.** The deadline for an offer to be made is: **<u>30 June</u> <u>2024</u>**.

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If you consider that these terms and conditions differ to a significant extent from those specified in your request, you may **apply to The Council to review this decision**.

Any **application for review** must be made in writing to Alison Clark, Head of Community Support, Contact and Engagement, The Highland Council, Glenurquhart Road, Inverness, IV3 5NX **by 30 January 2024**, which is twenty working days from the date of this notice.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

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DOT FERGUSON Senior Ward Manager – Ross, Skye & Lochaber Communities & Place