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Minute of Special Meeting held by **Dunrossness Community Council** in Quendale Mill on Monday 16 July 2012.

**PRESENT:**

Mr D Robertson	Mr J Sinclair	Mr S Mitchell	Mr R Mainland
Mrs E Mainland	Mr A Duncan		

**APOLOGIES**

Mr J Ridland	Mr R Nickerson	Mrs S Malcolmson	Mrs F Mitchell
Mr M Tregonning	Cllr B Fox (ex-officio)	Cllr G Smith (ex-officio)	

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mrs S Leslie (Clerk)

**SHETLAND ISLANDS COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REVIEW**

Following Shetland Islands Council's Infrastructure Departments recent consultation events throughout Shetland and their visits to the outer isles such as Fair Isle as part of their Services Review, a special meeting of Dunrossness Community Council had been called to prepare a response to the proposals made in relation to the Department's Inter-island Ferry Service, Winter Roads Maintenance and Street Lighting.

The members discussed the proposals and agreed that the following comments be put to SIC Infrastructure Department.

**Ferry Service Review**

The Fair Isle Community, which Dunrossness Community Council fully supports, feel that the current Ferry Service to the Isle already operates at a minimum and should therefore not be cut in any way. They are extremely keen to retain the summer Fair Isle/Lerwick route in addition to the Fair Isle/Grutness one.

### **Ferry Service Review (Continued)**

It has also been suggested that additional funding could be raised by the introduction of islander and visitor rates for the fares on all ferry journeys to Fair Isle, as is the case with the airfares. With regard to crew numbers, we are all concerned to see adequate staffing levels retained.

### **Winter Roads Maintenance Review**

In our opinion, any Winter Roads Policy needs to be very flexible and take into consideration the needs of particular routes ie children, social care requirements, school bus routes etc. The weather and road conditions should be considered carefully ie it may not be necessary to grit roads at certain temperatures if the roads are dry and no ice is present. However, during prolonged periods of adverse weather, all routes should be accessed periodically.

### **Street Lighting Review**

As a minimum, we believe Street Lights could be switched off from 11pm and back on again at 7am during the winter months with no Street Lighting necessary during the summer months. In addition to this, each directly affected household in each individual area should be consulted on whether they want Street Lighting in their area at all.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

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**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
WILL TAKE PLACE IN DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON  
MONDAY 20 AUGUST 2012.**