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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in the Sumburgh Hotel on Monday 22 December 2014.

PRESENT:

Ms E Mainland Mr M Shearer Mr R Mainland Mr S Mitchell Mrs S Malcolmson

APOLOGIES

Mrs F Mitchell Mr R Nickerson Ms Janice Armstrong Cllr A Duncan (ex-officio) Cllr B Fox (ex-officio) Cllr G Smith (ex-officio)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs S Leslie (Clerk)

Mr D Robertson

Mr J Sinclair

Mr J Ridland

14/60 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 24 November 2014 was adopted on the motion of Mr Mitchell subject to the following amendment requested by email by Cllr Fox

14/57 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS: 1. Sandwick Parent Council: the SIC has *proposed* to postpone the configuration of secondary education in Shetland

14/61 POLICE REPORT

No police report was available.

14/62 MATTERS ARISING

1. Road Matters:

a) Levenwick: A reply to the Community Council's email to SIC Roads Dept regarding the condition of the road between Levenwick and the south A970 junction had been received. The Dept state that they are aware that this section of road is in a poor condition and will seek to get repairs done and then possibly put it onto their re-surfacing list.

2. Levenwick Graveyard Access: There was nothing new to report.

3. MV Good Shepherd/Grutness Pier: There was nothing new to report.

4. Horseshoe Close Streetlighting Columns: It was reported that new Streetlighting has been installed at Horseshoe Close. Mr Mainland reported that the Streetlighting at Dalsetter Wynd is now being switched off during the night.

5. School Transport: A copy of the "Road Safety Audit Report" has still not been received. The delay appears to lie with SIC Roads Dept.

6. Westvoe & Grutness Dog Poo Bin: A reply to the Community Council's email to SIC Infrastructure Services requesting 'dog poo' bins for Westvoe and Grutness beaches had been received. The reply states that 'we are not in a position to put out more dog bins due to the financial restraints on the Council. Every bin we put out has to be serviced and that all costs money. We also have no bins in stock'. The email continues 'I feel the problem is with the dog owners within your community. They take themselves and their dog home and should also be responsible and take their dog waste home as well. They should not expect the Council to come after them and clear up their mess'. The members therefore agreed to request that the faded and illegible 'No Dog Fouling' signs be replaced.

7. Scousburgh Hill: A reply to the Community Council's email to SIC

Building Standards regarding the condition of the British Telecom site at Scousburgh Hill had been received from Alan Jarden. Mr Jarden has requested further details ie. what does the Community Council consider to be the problem with the buildings, pictures etc. Mr Mitchell offered to take some pictures for forwarding to Mr Jarden.

14/63 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

There were no finance matters or grant applications for consideration.

14/64 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

1. To erect single storey dwellinghouse and associated access road, adjacent to Arcadia, Levenwick by Allan Colvin - There were no objections.

14/65 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

No external meetings had been attended.

14/66 CORRESPONDENCE

1. 'Thank you' letter from Fair Primary School for donation received for taking part in Da Voar Redd Up 2014: The letter was noted.

2. SSQC letter and Community Impact Study of the Shetland Seafood Sector Questionnaire : Due to a lack of aquaculture in the Dunrossness area and a lack of relevant knowledge, the members agreed they were not in a position to complete the questionnaire accurately.

3. RSPB letter: An email had been received from Helen Moncrieff, RSPB Shetland Manager. Ms Moncrieff asks that anyone cleaning the Westvoe beach leave any dead birds in situ as Westvoe is one of the beaches that is checked as part of a monthly beach bird survey.

4. Letter from the Secretary of State for Scotland: The ASCC had forwarded a copy of Alistair Carmichael's letter regarding the results from the Smith Commission. The documents can be accessed via the following link www.gov.uk/scotland-office

5. Letter ref. Levenwick Litter Bin: A member of the public had emailed the Community Council pointing out the lack of a litter bin at the parking area/viewpoint at the north junction into Levenwick. The Clerk will contact SIC regarding the possibility of a bin being provided at this site.

6. Seaside Awards: Brydon Sinclair, SIC Waste Prevention Officer,

had emailed the latest Keep Scotland Beautiful Seaside Award application forms, which have to be submitted by 26th January 2015, and previous risk assessments. Mr Mainland reported that the water samples are checked by SSQC in Shetland. It was also noted that carrying out regular water sampling, currently part of the criteria for holding a Seaside Award, will cease to be necessary from 2016. The members agreed that they are keen to continue with the Seaside Awards, subject to available funding.

14/66 CORRESPONDENCE

6. Seaside Awards (continued): Mr Sinclair had informed the Community Council that any leftover funding from the initial Quality of Life Funding grant for Seaside Awards can be kept, providing it is only used for works relating to Seaside Awards and the upkeep of the beaches involved. This was welcomed. Mr Mainland will meet with Mr Sinclair in the new year to discuss the 2015 application etc.

7. SIC letters ref. Consultation on Supplementary Guidance Documents relating to Shetland Local Development Plan – Local Landscape Areas, Local Nature Conservations Sites and Onshore Wind Energy: The Clerk had invited Austin Taylor, Team Leader – Development Plans & Heritage to attend the January meeting of the Community Council. However, Mr Taylor is unable to attend and Mr Mainland will therefore try to meet with Mr Taylor at his office.

8. A copy of the following is available from the Clerk:

• The Crown Estate – Scotland Bulletin, Autumn 2014

14/67 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Sumburgh Airport Consultative Committee: Mr Mainland reminded the members that, following Mr Robertson's departure from the Community Council, Mr Nickerson had expressed an interest in taking over as Community Council representative at SACC meetings. The Clerk will inform Highlands & Islands Airports of this.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.35 pm.

Chair

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE PLACE IN DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 26 JANUARY 2015.