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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 26 May 2014.

PRESENT:

Mr D Robertson Mr S Mitchell Cllr B Fox (ex-officio) Ms E Mainland Mr M Shearer Mrs S Malcolmson Mr J Sinclair Cllr G Smith (ex-officio)

APOLOGIES

Mr R MainlandMrs F MitchellMr M TregonningMr A Duncan

Mr R Nickerson PC J McDiarmid Mr J Ridland

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs S Leslie (Clerk)

14/09 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 28 April 2014 was adopted on the motion of Mr Robertson subject to the following amendment:

FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS – 2. South Mainland Community Association Senior Citizens: The proposal to award a grant of £400 was seconded by Mr Mainland, not Mr Sinclair.

14/10 POLICE REPORT

PC McDiarmid was unable to attend the meeting but had informed the clerk that there was 'nothing of note' to report for the Dunrossness area over the last month.

14/11 MATTERS ARISING

1. Road Matters:

a) Potholes: Mr Robertson reported that the worst of the potholes in the area have been now been repaired. Cllr Smith reported that a report on the roads in Shetland for the purposes of Asset Investment is due at the end of the summer.

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

4. MV Good Shepherd/Grutness Pier: Following on from last month's meeting, Mrs Mitchell had reported by email that according to the Good Shepherd skipper, the refit report only states what work has been done to the vessel at the time of the refit and that the ferry has been signed off by MCA as being fit for operation. Mrs Mitchell reiterated that the Fair Isle Communities main concern regarding the Good Shepherd is her lack of capacity and that she no longer meets the communities needs in this respect. The members noted that it was suggested at the previous meeting that Fair Isle should write to the SIC regarding this matter and it was taken that this would be the next step forward.

5. Horseshoe Close Streetlighting Columns: There was nothing new to report at present.

14/12 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

1. Community Council Funding: An email had been received from Michael Duncan, SIC External Funding Officer, stating that a previous email he had sent on virement of funds between grant headings had probably confused matters and for clarification, the rules in relation to core funding and virements have not changed.

2. South Mainland Community History Group - To assist with the costs of purchasing a complete Office Computer system, including hardware, software, monitor and peripherals for use by members of the History Group: Mr Robertson declared an interest. Mr Sinclair proposed and Ms Mainland seconded, that the group be awarded the sum of £475 as requested.

14/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning applications for consideration.

14/14 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

1. Dunrossness Primary School Parent Council Meeting: Mrs Malcolmson had attended the meeting on 6 May and reported that there are expected to be 109 primary pupils and 25 nursery pupils attending Dunrossness after the summer holidays. The recent Sunday Teas raised the impressive sum of £1006.20 and progress on the Garden Area is currently dependent on the requested quotations being received.

2. SIC Social Services Meeting: Due to Dunrossness Community Council's interest in the recent proposal to build approximately 300 houses in Lerwick and apparently none in the outlying areas, Cllr Smith reported that at a recent SIC Social Services meeting, a Northmavine member had raised the same concerns. It was also noted that Cllr Duncan had agreed at the ASCC meeting to follow up the concerns of the rural areas with the Head of the SIC Housing Service.

14/15 CORRESPONDENCE

1. 'Thank you' letter from South Mainland Community Association – Senior Citizens for grant received: The letter was noted.

14/16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Levenwick Bus Shelter: Mr Shearer enquired why the Bus Shelter at the North Levenwick junction had not been replaced a number of years ago when it was damaged by a road user a number of years ago. Ms Mainland stated that she thought the SIC had decided it was unnecessary to replace it as the bus route is through Levenwick and therefore there is little call for a Bus Shelter in this location. The members agreed this was correct.

2. Sandwick Junior High School: Mr Mitchell enquired what the members feelings are on the proposed changes to secondary education at Sandwick now that the report, which recommends the school become an S1/S2 and which is to be considered by the Council on 9 June 2014 has been published. Cllr Smith reported that out of the 316 responses received as part of the consultation, only 5 had been in favour of the S1/S2 proposal.

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There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Chair

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE SUMBURGH HEAD EDUCATION CENTRE AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 30 JUNE 2014.