## **DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 29 September 2014.

## PRESENT:

Mr D Robertson Ms E Mainland Mrs S Malcolmson Mr J Sinclair

Mr S Mitchell Mr M Shearer Mr J Ridland

Cllr G Smith (ex-officio) Cllr B Fox (ex-officio)

## **APOLOGIES**

Mr R Mainland Mrs F Mitchell Mr R Nickerson Mr A Duncan

PC J McDiarmid

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs S Leslie (Clerk)

#### 14/35 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 28 August 2014 was adopted on the motion of Mr Mitchell

## 14/36 POLICE REPORT

There was no police report available.

#### 14/37 MATTERS ARISING

- **1. Road Matters:** Mr Sinclair reported that the road works between Bigton and the Teevliks is a 'great improvement'.
- 2. Levenwick Graveyard Access: There was nothing new to report. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact SIC Legal for an update. Cllr Smith will also follow this up.

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#### 14/37 MATTERS ARISING

- 3. MV Good Shepherd/Grutness Pier: There was nothing new to report.
- **4.** Horseshoe Close Streetlighting Columns: There was nothing new to report.
- **5. School Transport:** Following the Community Council's request for a copy of the "Road Safety Audit Report", Shona Thomson, SIC, replied that *'staff in the Roads Service are currently checking over all of the safety assessments which were carried out and are updating all of the route maps accordingly. Once that is complete, I will certainly send you all the documents we hold. This was noted.*

#### 14/38 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 1. Ness Boating Club To assist with the costs of the Annual Fireworks and Bonfire Night: Ms Mainland declared an interest. Mr Sinclair proposed and Mrs Malcolmson seconded that a grant of £900 be awarded. There was no counter proposal.
- **2. Community Development Fund:** It was noted that the Community Council had been successful in securing an additional £3000 of funding from the Community Development Fund.
- **3.** Da Voar Redd Up 2014: The Clerk reported that she had received details from Shetland Amenity Trust of the groups who took part in this year's Voar Redd Up in the Dunrossness area. As agreed previously, the sum of £1200 will be divided among these groups.

## 14/39 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning applications for consideration

#### 14/40 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

1. Public Partnership Forum: Mr Ridland had attended a PPF meeting recently and reported that the main items of discussion had been Dental and Mental Health Action Plans.

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- **2. Sumburgh Airport Consultative Committee:** Mr Robertson had attended the SACC meeting on 16 September and reported as follows:
- a) Melanie Brown has been appointed new Terminal Operations Manager
- b) Air Traffic Control are recruiting 'to provide resilience'
- c) Security are having difficulties with recruitment and retention of staff
- d) Passenger numbers are up with 29578 passengers in August and 304509 over the last year. This is the busiest the airport has been since the 1990s
- e) Works are continuing on Runway 09 with some parts (x-blocks and piling) due to be complete shortly.
- f) The refurbishment works on Hangers 3 & 4 are nearing completion.
- g) A new X-ray machine has been installed in the Terminal which has much improved the through put of passengers. As part of Phase 2 of the Terminal improvements, a second X-ray machine will be installed as well as an additional departures gate.
- h) It is planned to build a vehicle store to house airfield equipment
- i) Loganair reported that their passenger figures are up by 15% and a new Glasgow flight is being introduced slowly.
- j) NHS representative reported that there are no problems at Sumburgh but some difficulties are experience at Aberdeen with Ambu-lifts etc. On average, 530 patients travel to Aberdeen each month. There has also been a significant increase in Air Ambulance activity recently.
- k) HIAL are anticipating parking problems during the October holiday season and the possibility of introducing parking charges was mentioned once again.
- I) The Flight Information Display System in the Terminal is still not working. This was reported to be due to the poor Broadband connection at the airport. However, a fibre optic link is to be installed (possibly by the end of 2014) and this should resolve the current problems.

## 14/41 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Thank you letter from Shetland Schools Music Festival for donation received: The letter was noted.
- 2. ASCC email ref. Scottish Rural Parliament Regional Events: Voluntary Action Shetland held a local Rural Parliament event on 11 September which was open to the public to attend. The email states that 'the Rural Parliament will produce a shared vision for rural Scotland with identified actions to be taken at community, regional, national and EU level, whilst celebrating the strengths and achievements of rural communities. Unlike most Parliaments, a Rural Parliament is a bottom-up process of discussion and debate which anyone can participate in, rather than people being elected to represent other people's views. Over the coming months there will be lots of chances to get involved. You register updates and find can for out more at www.scottishruralparliament.org.uk

# 14/42 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Strategy for Older People: Mr Mitchell reported that, as part of the NHS Shetlands Strategy for Older People, there will be an event planned for the Dunrossness area in the next set of Roadshows.
- 2. Sumburgh Airport Entrance: Mrs Malcolmson reported that she had received comments that it was difficult to access the main entrance of Sumburgh Airport at times due to smokers and their baggage cluttering up the area. It was reported that a 'Smokers Lounge' is currently under construction for offshore workers. The members agreed that this should help alleviate the current problem.
- **3. Ness United 'B' Team:** On behalf of Dunrossness Community Council, Mr Robertson congratulated the Ness United 'B' Team on becoming this seasons Senior Reserve League Champions and also winning the Hytork UK Joint Cup earlier in the month.

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 DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 27 OCTOBER 2014.