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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in The Spiggie Hotel on Wednesday 16 December 2015.

PRESENT

Mr R Mainland	Mr S Mitchell	Ms E Mainland	Mr H Harrop
Mr M Shearer	Mr R Nickerson	Mrs S Malcolmson	

APOLOGIES

Ms J Armstrong	Mrs F Mitchell	Cllr B Fox (ex-officio)
Cllr A Duncan (ex-officio)	Cllr G Smith (ex-officio)	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms S Leslie (Clerk) PC Malcolm McLeod

15/63 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 30 November 2015 was adopted on the motion of Mr Mitchell.

15/64 POLICE REPORT

The Chairman welcomed PC Malcolm McLeod to the meeting. PC McLeod reported that there had been 9 incidents reported to the Police for the Dunrossness area over the last month. Among these were a 'house breaking with intent', 'neighbour dispute', 'mental health', 2 x 'medical matters' and a 'road traffic collision'.

Mr Nickerson enquired how often the Police visit Sumburgh Airport. PC McLeod replied 'usually once every day', although sometimes this will be after the airport is closed which, if this is the case, officers obviously don't enter the building.

PC McLeod left the meeting

15/64 MATTERS ARISING

1. Road Matters:

a) A970 'Devils Elbow': The Clerk reported that there had still been no response from SIC Roads on this matter. Mr Mainland will approach Mr Gair, SIC Roads, in person

b) Warning Signs at Fleck: As above.

c) '20 Is Plenty' Signs at Eastshore Cottages: There was nothing new to report.

d) SIC (A970 at Levenwick and B9122 Teevliks to Bigton Roads) (2.6 Metre Width Restriction) Traffic Regulation Order 2015: SIC Roads had replied to the Community Council's question regarding the extent of the width restriction and stated that *'the purpose of the order is to ensure that the Council is informed of the movement of any vehicles with a width exceeding 2.6 metre. It is not necessarily to prohibit the use of these vehicles altogether. This would depend on the circumstances, but most cases would be permitted with conditions such as the time of day that the journeys are made and the need for escort vehicles. This purpose is achieved as long as the restriction applies to both the A970 and B9122 Teevliks to Bigton road. This in effect prohibits the use of vehicles of this width on any road to the south of Levenwick and Bigton so the order does not need to extend as far south as Robin's Brae'*.

e) Missing Road Markings: Mr Shearer raised the issues of the sections of missing road edge markings between Levenwick and Robin's Brae where SIC Roads have carried out repairs to the edges of the road. The members agreed that the missing markings made the edge of the road difficult to see in poor light. The Clerk will contact the Roads Dept asking that the markings are reinstated for safety reasons asap.

f) Quendale Brig: The Clerk reported that she had been copied into an email regarding the need for the Quendale Brig side drains to be cleared. Cllr Duncan had replied to the email stating that he would pursue the matter with the SIC Roads Dept.

g) Bigton Road Sign: Mr Nickerson reported that part of the 'Bigton' road sign at the Teevliks is missing. The Clerk will report this to the Roads Dept.

15/64 MATTERS ARISING (Continued)

2. Levenwick Graveyard Access: The Clerk had emailed SIC for an update on this matter and received a reply informing the Community Council that progress is being made. The reply states that *'the necessary steps to formalise the access have been agreed and work commenced to carry them out begun. The application for a Decrofting Direction has been made by the landowner's agent but not as far as we know, yet been granted'*. The members welcomed this news.

3. Scousburgh Hill: There was nothing new to report.

4. Telephone Kiosks: There was nothing new to report.

5. West End of Virkie Pool: There was nothing new to report.

6. Abandoned Vehicle: SIC Environmental Health had replied to the Clerk's email confirming that the abandoned vehicle at Grutness has been reported to the Amenity Trust and is awaiting uplift.

15/65 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

1. Sandwich Junior High School Parent Council – To assist with costs of setting up a new SJHS website: Mr Mainland declared an interest. It was agreed to award the requested sum of £165 as proposed by Mr Mitchell and seconded by Mr Harrop.

2. Rotary Club: The Clerk reported that she had applied for, on behalf of Dunrossness Community Council, a £100 donation offered by the Rotary Club for events for the over 60's at Christmas time. The Clerk confirmed that she will distribute this equally between the South Mainland Community Association Senior Citizens and Dunrossness Inter-Church Fellowship Senior Citizens groups and send a letter of thanks to the Rotary Club.

3. External Funding Sources: For more information on current external funding sources, see below:

- **Postcode Community Trust - Community Grants 2016:**
www.postcodecommunitytrust.org.uk/applying-for-a-grant.htm

15/66 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning applications for consideration.

15/67 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

1. Sandwick Junior High School Parent Council EGM: Mr Mainland was pleased to report that at the recent SJHS Parent Council EGM all vacancies had been filled and the Parent Council now have a full complement of 12 members. Mr Mainland stated that 'full marks' should be given to Hillary Burgess for all her hard work in helping to achieve this.

15/68 CORRESPONDENCE

1. NHS Shetland email ref. Draft Primary Care Strategy for consultation: A draft Primary Care Strategy for Shetland for consultation can be found on the NHS Shetland website at www.shb.nhs.uk/board/planning/DraftPrimaryCareStrategyForShetland.pdf NHS Shetland have also provided questions to focus comments but welcome any other comments or suggestions which anyone might have. Responses to the Strategy should be emailed to either sarahtaylor@nhs.net, elizabethrobinson2@nhs.net or e.watt1@nhs.net

15/69 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Defibrillator: Mr Nickerson reported that the Bigton community had managed to raise enough money to acquire a Defibrillator and that the Shop Committee had agreed to position it at the shop, subject to SIC approval. Training courses on how to use defibrillators have been available locally recently.

2. Archive CD: Mr Harrop handed the reconfigured archive CD to the Clerk. The members thanked Mr Harrop for all his hard work in relation to this.

3. Keep Scotland Beautiful Awards: Mr Mainland reported that the Keep Scotland Beautiful Awards applications for beaches will be coming up in the New Year but that KSB have not decided on the proposed slightly modified criteria as yet.

4. Service Bus Feeder Services: Mr Nickerson reported that he had recently spoken to Elaine Park, SIC recently and that she had stated that it was unlikely that there would be any changes to the current Service Bus Feeder Service for at least a year which means members of staff from the Bigton Shop will have to continue to meet the bus at the Teevliks some days.

5. Islands Bill: Mr Mainland suggested that the Community Council formally invite Cllr Smith or Fox to tell them more about 'Our Isles, Our Future' and what they hope it will achieve. This was agreed. The Clerk will invite them to do this at either the January or February meetings of the Community Council.

SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL OUR READERS

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 25 JANUARY 2016.**