## **DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 29 February 2016.

## **PRESENT**

Mr R Mainland Ms E Mainland Mr S Mitchell Mr H Harrop Mr G Waddell Mr M Shearer Mr R Nickerson Mrs F Mitchell

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

## **APOLOGIES**

Mrs S Malcolmson Ms S Batley Ms J Armstrong

Cllr A Duncan (ex-officio)

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms S Leslie (Clerk) Mrs P Christie (Community Involvement and Development Officer)

## 15/79 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 16 December 2016 was adopted on the motion of Mrs Malcolmson, subject to the following amendment which was requested by the Clerk:

**IN ATTENDANCE** .... add Mrs P Christie (Community Involvement and Development Officer)

### 15/80 POLICE REPORT

There was no Police Report available.

### 15/81 MATTERS ARISING

### 1. Road Matters:

- a) A970 'Devils Elbow': Cllr Duncan had sought a response to this item from the Roads Dept on behalf of the Community Council and Barrie Scobbie had replied that he been given the 'go ahead' to put large "SLOW" markings opposite the bend signs
- **b) Warning Signs at Fleck:** Cllr Duncan had also sought a response to this item on behalf of the Community Council and the Clerk reported that SIC Roads have agreed to erect a farm traffic sign on the approach to the Fleck junction from the north.
- **c) Missing Road Markings:** There was still no response from SIC Roads to this item.
- **d) Bigton Road Sign:** There was still no response from SIC Roads to this item..
- 2. Levenwick Graveyard Access: There was nothing new to report.
- **3. Scousburgh Hill:** There was nothing new to report.
- **4. West End of Virkie Pool:** Mr Harrop reported that hardcore had been put in the dip and access to the area used for parking, mainly by birdwatchers, was now possible

## 15/82 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 1. Dunrossness Inter-Church Fellowship Day-Care To provide a 'Comforts Fund' which meets the cost of non-statutory expenses such as Christmas gifts, short tours, entertainment, travel costs etc. for clients of Day-Care, held one day per week in the Levenwick Hall for elderly local residents in need of care and company: It was agreed, as proposed by Ms Mainland and seconded by Mr Mitchell, to award the requested sum of £500.
- 1. Core Funding: Michael Duncan, SIC External Funding Officer, confirmed by email that, following the SIC meeting on 10 February, the Community Council's Core Funding budget remains unchanged from last year at £9546. The Clerk will send the necessary email to draw down this funding.

# 15/82 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS (continued)

- **2. CDF Grant Scheme:** Michael Duncan, SIC External Funding Officer, confirmed that, following the SIC meeting on 10 February, a standstill budget of £68,000 has been approved for the CDF scheme. The first bidding round closes on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March. As per last year, it was agreed that an application would be made for the maximum £3000 for a Distribution Fund Grant and a second application would be made for the maximum £1000 for a project grant which would be to help with the funding of St Ninian's and West Voe Beaches Seaside Award Schemes.
- 3. Participatory Budgeting Project: Following the success of Vaila Simpson's application for £9000 match funding from the Scottish Government for a South Mainland Participatory Budgeting (PB) Project, Mr Mainland stated that Dunrossness Community Council now had to decide if they wished to take part. Mr Mainland reported that as he understood it, groups would be invited to submit applications for funding to the Community Council and they would then be invited to attend an event to give a short presentation on their application. Those groups attending would then vote on each other's application to decide who was successful. The Community Council would set the criteria for these grants ie 8 groups at £500 maximum each. To obtain the maximum amount of funding available for this project, the Community Council would have to apply for their maximum £3000 from the CDF Grant Scheme and put this towards the PB Project. However, Mr Mainland was concerned, and the members agreed, that some of the groups which Dunrossness Community Council support on a regular basis would not be willing to go through the PB Project process and therefore the Community Council may not have funds available to continue supporting them in the old form. Mr Mainland therefore suggested that, if the Community Council put forward £2000 to £2500 for match funding, this would leave enough funds available to continue supporting the regular applicants as Mrs Christie confirmed that all the 3 South Mainland Community Councils can put their money into one big pot or they can each work individually. Mrs Christie also confirmed that there is no budget for administration costs. In order to take this project forward, Mrs Christie stated that it is necessary to form a Steering Group with representatives from the 3 South Mainland Community Councils so Mr Mainland, Mr Harrop and Mr Mitchell volunteered to represent Dunrossness Community Council. Christie will organise a meeting of all 3 South Mainland Community Councils within the next couple of weeks. It was therefore agreed that Dunrossness Community Council will apply to the CDF Grant Scheme for £2500 for match funding and £500 for supporting local groups.

# 15/82 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS (continued)

- **4. External Funding Sources:** For more information on current external funding sources, see below:
  - Heart Research UK Healthy Heart Grants Open to Applications
     http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/community-grants/apply-hruk-healthy-heart-grants
  - Violence Against Women and Girls Fund Reopens to Applications in Scotland <a href="http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/violence-against-women/">http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/violence-against-women/</a>
  - Scotland's Voluntary Action Fund's Promoting Equality and Cohesion Fund Open to Applications <a href="http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/equality-fund/2016-17-fund">http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/equality-fund/2016-17-fund</a>
    - Yorkshire & Clydesdale Bank Foundation 2016 Spirit of the Community Awards Open to Applications (England and Scotland)

      http://www.ybonline.co.uk/about-yorkshire-

http://www.ybonline.co.uk/about-yorkshire-bank/community/charitable-donations-about-us/

- Paths for All Community Path Grants Now Available in Scotland http://www.pathsforall.org.uk/pfa/support/community-paths-grant.html
  - Voluntary Action Fund Volunteering Support Grant 2016-17 www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/funding-and-support/volunteeringdevelopment-grants
  - E.ON Energy Action Fund Invites GB Applications
    <a href="https://www.eonenergy.com/About-eon/Community/energy-action-fund">https://www.eonenergy.com/About-eon/Community/energy-action-fund</a>

#### 15/83 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

- 1. Removal of Public Payphone, Dunrossness by BT: No further comments had been received regarding the proposal to remove the public payphone at Robins Brae so the Community Councils decision not to object was upheld and the Clerk will respond accordingly to the consultation.
- 2. To construct dwelling house with garage, New House, East Longfield, Dunrossness There were no objections.

### 15/84 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

1. Confucius Project: Cllr Smith had attended the launch of the Confucius project at Sandwick Junior High School. Sandwick is acting as the hub school for the project which brings Chinese language lessons to schools and introduces Chinese culture in the form of music, singing and food to the classroom.

#### 15/85 CORRESONDENCE

- 1. SIC email ref. Material Planning Considerations: Following a point made by Sandwick Community Council that they were having difficulty in identifying what are 'material planning considerations' when formulating a response to a planning consultation, John Holden, SIC Development Management Planning had forwarded a couple of links from the Scottish Government's website and Planning Aid for Scotland which he hoped would be helpful
- 2. Shetland Inter Islands Transport Study First Round Engagement: Mr Craigie states in his email that the purpose of this study is to establish the nature and levels of services (ferry and air) and infrastructure required to provide inter island transport links over the next 30 years. The consultation document specific to Fair Isle was attached. Mrs Mitchell reported that the Fair Isle community had met to formulate their response to the consultation. Mrs Mitchell will forward a copy of this to the Clerk and it was agreed that Dunrossness Community Council will write a letter to Michael Craigie supporting Fair Isles response.
- **3. Email ref. Digital Forum Event:** Tavish Scott invited the Community Council to attend the next Digital Forum event scheduled to take place in Islesburgh Community Centre on 5<sup>th</sup> March. Mr Mainland reported that he would be attending.
- **4. SIC Email ref Shetland Local Development Plan Placemaking Supplementary Guidance:** The Community Council was invited to make comment on this document if they wished. This was noted.
- **5. SIC Email ref Independent Review of Planning:** Alex Neil, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Communities and Pensioners' Rights has launched an independent review of planning. As part of this review, the Government has provided an online forum at <a href="https://ideas.scotland.gov.uk/independent-review-of-planning">https://ideas.scotland.gov.uk/independent-review-of-planning</a>
- **6. Email ref. ASCC Bi-Annual Meeting:** The next meeting of the Association of Community Councils will take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 11 am in the Shetland Museum Auditorium. Mr Mainland and Ms Mainland agreed to attend on behalf of Dunrossness Community Council.

## 15/85 CORRESONDENCE (Continued)

- **7. SIC Email ref. Housing Land Audit:** A copy of the 'Information Bulletin' prepared by SIC Development Plans was provided for the Community Councillors information.
- 8. A copy of the following is available from the Clerk:
  - Voluntary Voice, Spring 2016 Newsletter

#### 15/86 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- **1. Seaside Award Scheme:** The Clerk reported that the Community Council's Seaside Award Scheme application for 2016 has been submitted.
- **2.** Levenwick 30 mph: Following an enquiry he had received from a member of the public, Mr Mitchell enquired if, given the increased development at the south end of Levenwick, it would be possible for the extent of the 30mph speed limit to be extended. The Clerk will forward the enquiry to SIC Roads.
- **3.** Recycling Facilities, Mainland's Shop: It was noted that the Recycling Facilities at Mainland's Shop regularly overflow.
- **4. Swans and Hydro Wires:** Mr Harrop reported that 2 Hooper Swans have died recently as a result of striking Hydro wires near the Hillwell Loch. The Hydro have been made aware of this and it appears they will be attaching a new form of marker to the wires in the area to help the swans see and therefore avoid the wires.
- **5. Scrap Car, Grutness:** Mr Harrop reported that the scrap car which has been parked at Grutness Pier for some time now is still there. A sticker indicating that the vehicle will be taken away for dumping in due course has now been applied though.
- **6. Fair Isle Road:** Mrs Mitchell reported that concerns were being raised within the Isle with regard to the condition of the road and it is considered that it requires to be assessed urgently. Contractors have been in the Isle carrying out works and it is considered that the increased traffic etc is the cause of the sudden deterioration. It was agreed that the Clerk will email SIC Roads and the South Mainland Councillors will also raise the issue.
- **7. Fair Isle Development Company:** Mrs Mitchell reported that a Development Worker and Admin person have now been in post for 5 weeks.

## 15/86 ANY OTHER BUSINESS (Continued)

- **8. A970 Levenwick:** Mr Mainland, on behalf of the Community Council, congratulated the South Mainland Councillors on managing to get the proposals for the works on the A970 at Levenwick accepted by the Council. When funds become available, the road improvements will now be able to go ahead.
- **9. Bigton Feeder Service:** Having discussed the possibility of reverting the Bigton Feeder Service back to its former timetable with SIC Transport on various occasions over the last 18 months, Mr Nickerson (on behalf of the Bigton Shop) had raised the issue with the transport operator who had informed him that he had not been approached by the SIC regarding this matter and confirmed that there would be no financial implications if this were to be implemented. Mr Nickerson stated that he felt he was being continually 'fobbed off' by SIC Transport. Mr Fox agreed to pursue the matter and requested that Mr Nickerson email all the details to him, copying in the other South Mainland Councillors.
- **10. Islands Bill:** Cllr Fox reported that there will be no real work done with regard to drafting the Islands Bill until after the election. This will be the first time there has been a piece of legislation which applied to the islands and there will be more opportunities to make comment as the Bill is drafted.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Chair

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE PLACE IN DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 28 MARCH 2016.