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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 25 January 2016.

PRESENT

Mr R Mainland Ms E Mainland Ms S Batley Mr G Waddell

Mrs S Malcolmson

APOLOGIES

Mr S Mitchell Mr H Harrop Ms J Armstrong Mr M Shearer

Mr R Nickerson Mrs F Mitchell Cllr B Fox (ex-officio)

Cllr A Duncan (ex-officio) Cllr G Smith (ex-officio)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms S Leslie (Clerk)

15/70 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 16 December 2016 was adopted on the motion of Mrs Malcolmson.

15/71 POLICE REPORT

There was no Police Report available.

15/72 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.
- b) Warning Signs at Fleck: As above.
- c) '20 Is Plenty' Signs at Eastshore Cottages: There was nothing new to report.
- d) Missing Road Markings: The Clerk had reported the Community Council's concerns regarding the lack of road markings on the repaired sections of road between Levenwick and Robins Brae to SIC Roads and had received a reply stating that the matter had been passed to both Neil Robertson and Mervyn Smith. It was agreed to ask the local Councillors to pursue this matter also.
- **e) Bigton Road Sign:** The Clerk had reported to SIC Roads that part of the 'Bigton' road sign at the Teevliks is missing and had received a reply stating that the matter had been passed to both Neil Robertson and Mervyn Smith.
- f) Surface Dressing, Re-Surfacing and Reconstruction Programme 2016: A letter had been received from SIC Roads detailing the sections of road in the Dunrossness area which are to receive attention as part of the Councils Surface Dressing, Re-Surfacing and Reconstruction Programme for 2016. They are:
 - Levenwick Loop (South End)
 - Robins Brae Skellberry to Clumlie Junction
 - B9122 Skellberry Junction to Lunabister
 - Bigton Top Road
 - Bigton Straight Mile (North End)
 - Exnaboe Meadowfield
 - Fleck to Boddam Loop
- 2. Levenwick Graveyard Access: There was nothing new to report.
- 3. Scousburgh Hill: There was nothing new to report.
- 4. Telephone Kiosks: See item 15/75/1
- **5. West End of Virkie Pool:** There was nothing new to report.

15/73 ISLANDS BILL

Cllrs Smith and Fox were unable to attend the meeting to update the members on the Islands Bill. However, Cllr Fox had forwarded the report and initial response (www.shetland.gov.uk/coins/Agenda.asp?meetingid=4785) which came before council on 16 December for the member's information in the meantime. He also forwarded Neil Riddell's report from Shetland News which he considered 'sums it up well'. The Cllrs will update the members when they are next able to attend a meeting of the Community Council.

15/74 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 1. Sandwick Boating Club To assist with the costs of purchasing new covers for their fleet of Mirror Dinghies: Mr Mainland reported that he was aware of quite a few Dunrossness children attending during the summer months and stated that it was a 'very well run club'. It was agreed to award the requested sum of £250, as proposed by Mr Mainland and seconded by Mrs Malcolmson.
- **2. Core Funding and CDF Grant Scheme:** Michael Duncan, SIC External Funding Officer had emailed informing the Community Council that he is currently unable to issue dates of bidding rounds for the CDF Grant Scheme or confirmation of Core Funding for 2016/17. This is due to the fact that the Council has yet to set its 2016/17 budget.
- **3. External Funding Sources:** For more information on current external funding sources, see below:
 - Scottish Power Energy People Trust Open for 2016 (GB): http://www.energypeopletrust.com/content/default.asp?page=s4
 - Sustrans Community Links Fund 2016-17: www.sustrans.org.uk/communitylinks
 - Sport Relief Community Cash Grants: https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/sport-relief-community-cash/

15/75 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

1. Removal of Public Payphone, Dunrossness by BT: It was noted that BT states there is a 90 Day Consultation period on the proposal to remove the public payphone. It was also noted that the SIC state that it is the public payphone at Scousburgh which is to be removed but that BT state it is the one at Robins Brae. It was agreed that the SIC have made an error and the proposal is to remove the Telephone Kiosk from Robins Brae but that the Clerk will contact the SIC regarding this.

15/75 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

1. Removal of Public Payphone, Dunrossness by BT (continued):

Mr Nickerson had emailed stating that it is his opinion that, if mobile coverage is poor in this area, that the Community Council should request that the Payphone is replaced with a new one. This Payphone is also the only one on the main road south of Cunningsburgh. The members discussed the matter but agreed not to object as they considered the current usage of the payphone was minimal, there is good mobile phone coverage in the area and the kiosk is often in a state of disrepair due to wind damage

15/76 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

No external meetings had been attended

15/77 CORRESONDENCE

- 1. 'Thank you' email from the "Senior Citizens" and "Day Care" Groups for donations received from the Rotary Club: The email was noted.
- **2. Email ref. Developers Workshop:** The next Developers Workshop, which members of the Community Council are invited to attend, is to be held on 10 March 2016 in Room 16 Islesburgh
- **3. Seaside Award Scheme:** The Seaside Award scheme for 2016 is now open and applications must be returned to Keep Scotland Beautiful by 29 February 2016. Dunrossness Community Council will be applying for awards for both Westvoe and St. Ninians beaches again this year.
- **4. ePlanning:** The new online planning application web portal ePlanning.scot is launching on 13 January. Further information regarding what has changed and what you need to do to start using this service is available at https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk/WAM/edevelopment.htm
- **5. Employment Land Audit:** An SIC Briefing Note and a copy of the Employment Land Audit had been forwarded to the Community Council for member's information. The Employment Land Audit is produced by the Planning Service as part of its ongoing Development Plan. Scottish Planning Policy requires Local Authorities to monitor the uptake of land within their Local Development Plan through the production of an Employment Land Audit.

15/77 CORRESONDENCE (Continued)

6. Shetland Inter Islands Transport Study – Update for Community

Councils: Mr Craigie states in his email that by now he had anticipated being able to circulate the Shetland Inter-Island Transport Study Pre-Appraisal Report. However, SIC are still in discussion with Transport Scotland regarding the detail of study objectives and this means a slight delay to the original timetable. Mr Craigie was due to meet with Transport Scotland on 11 January 2016 to agree matters on objectives and this means they are now approximately 6 weeks behind where they originally intended to be. Mr Craigie considers it important that SIC take the time to ensure Transport Scotland is fully on board with this process, bearing in mind that the ultimate aim is to address the significant costs faced by the Council in providing inter island transport services and infrastructure.

7. Community Council – Participatory Budgeting Project: Vaila Simpson reported that she had submitted an application for £9000 match funding from the Scottish Government for a South Mainland Participatory Budgeting (PB) Project and that she had just been informed that the application had been approved.

Alan Budge from the PB Network will be in Shetland on 28 January and Ms Simpson had arranged a short evening session for members of the Community Council to attend as an introduction to PB and to discuss how a South Mainland Project could work.

15/78 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. January Meeting: It was agreed to hold future January meetings a week earlier so that they are not so close to Up Helly Aa.

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 29 FEBRUARY 2016.