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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 27th August 2018

PRESENT

Mr R Mainland	Mr S Mitchell	Mrs S Waddell	Mr R Nickerson
Mr H Harrop	Mrs E Flaws	Cllr R McGregor (ex officio)	
Cllr G Smith (ex officio)			

APOLOGIES

Mrs S Malcolmson	Mr G Waddell	Mr M Shearer	Mrs F Mitchell
Miss J Sandison	Ms J Armstrong	Cllr A Duncan (ex officio)	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms S Leslie (Clerk) Kerry Geddes (CGQ Community Council Clerk)
2 x Police Officers

18/17 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 25th June 2018 was adopted on the motion of Mrs Waddell.

18/18 POLICE REPORT

According to the latest Police Report, 10 items had been recorded for the Dunrossness area during the month of July. These included a report of fraud and an incident whereby a person has been charged with assault.

It was also reported that a number of new officers have recently joined the Lerwick branch of Police Scotland bringing staffing levels up to almost a full compliment and that 15 local officers have now been trained in the use of tasers.

18/19 MATTERS ARISING

1. Road Matters:

a) Middle Road, Levenwick: There was nothing to report.

b) Bigton Graveyard Road: Mr Nickerson enquired if it would be possible to get a progress report on the repairs to the Bigton Graveyard road as to date the potholes have only been marked in yellow. Cllr McGregor will pursue this matter.

2. Service Bus/Bigton Feeder Service: Cllr Smith confirmed that there are unlikely to be any updates until the tenders for the new contract are issued. The new timetable is due to come into force summer 2019. Cllr Smith suggested that it might be worthwhile contacting ZetTrans and mentioning that the Bigton shop has aspirations to have the morning feeder service to Bigton altered to assist with the delivery of supplies of fresh produce coming from Lerwick. This was agreed.

3. Levenwick Surgery: There was nothing new to report.

4. Air Traffic Control: See item 18/22/2

5. Levenwick Broadband: Mr Mainland reported that ADSL2 in the Levenwick area should now be operational by October 2018. Mr Stuart Robertson, Highlands & Islands Enterprise, had also reported that 2 cabinets are due to be installed in the Levenwick to bring the area onto the fibre system. For funding reasons, this has to be done by October 2019. Unfortunately there is currently no additional funding available to upgrade areas such Rerwick at this time.

6. Proposed Siting of Bench in Dunrossness Kirk Yard: Mrs Flaws reported that she had seen a sturdy looking bench which had been constructed by COPE and suggested that this was a possible source for obtaining one for the Dunrossness Kirk Yard. The members agreed. Although no site for positioning a bench in the Kirk Yard has yet been finalised, it was agreed that the Clerk will follow up the acquisition of a bench with a view to having it ready for positioning in the spring.

7. Proposed Sumburgh Airport Parking Charges: Mr Nickerson had asked Maggie Sandison, SIC, at the ASCC meeting why the Council had not called in this development (see item 18/22/2) which would mean the public would have the opportunity to respond to a consultation should HIAL wish to proceed. No definite answer was give. Mr Nickerson therefore suggested that the Community Council write to Mrs Sandison asking the SIC to call in the development since HIAL had broken the permitted development guidelines in this instance. This was agreed. It was also agreed that the Community Council write to MSP's expressing their concerns at the proposed introduction of parking charges at Sumburgh and ask that the matter is raised with ministers again, and parliament if appropriate.

18/20 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS (continued)

1. Community Choices PB Project: Kerry Geddes, Gulberwick, Quarff & Cunningsburgh Community Council Clerk, had recently completed an application on behalf of the three South Mainland Community Councils for funding towards a another Participatory Budgeting project. The application had been successful and the sum of £30,000 has been awarded for distribution and a further £750 to cover expenses incurred publicising and holding the final PB event at which it will be decided which applicants have been successful. The members were very impressed and thanked Mrs Geddes for her hard work. It is planned to set up a Steering Group comprising of two or three representatives from each of the three South Mainland Community Councils asap to take the project forward . The Clerk will email members to ask for volunteers. The aim will be to have the final PB Event by the end of November, before the end of the forthcoming Community Council elections. Mrs Geddes stated that there are a lot of new ideas of how to make the most of this wonderful opportunity and a lot of lessons were learned from the previous PB Project. This round of funding differs from the previous PB Project in that it will be open to Shetland-wide groups, providing they can provide evidence that they benefit the South Mainland, and that the Community Councils do not have to use their budgets from the SIC to match fund. Further details on who can apply etc will be available soon.

2. South Mainland Community Association, Boddam Playing Fields - To assist with the annual expenditure incurred providing playing field facilities at Boddam: It was agreed, on the motion of Mrs Flaws, seconded by Mr Nickerson, to award the requested sum of £1000.

Cllr Smith left the meeting at 8:30pm to enable the members to discuss any planning applications

18/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

1. To erect new dwellinghouse with air source heat pump, Brake, Bigton by Mrs Shelby Hopkins: There were no objections

Cllr Smith rejoined the meeting at 8:32pm

18/22 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

1. Fair Isle Air Services Review: Mrs Christie reported that she had attended a meeting on Fair Isle Air Services Review and reported that it had been a positive meeting. She also reported that the Fair Isle Energy Project is progressing really well and it is hoped to be completed October/November time.

2. Association of Community Councils: Mr Nickerson and Mr Mainland had attended a meeting of the ASCC on 26 June 2018 and reported as follows:

- **Community Empowerment:** Maggie Sandison, SIC, gave a briefing on Community Empowerment and the value of the ASCC
- **Asset Transfer:** Brendon Hall, SIC, gave a presentation on Community Asset Transfer. Assets can be offered to community groups/voluntary groups/halls etc
- **Sumburgh Air Traffic Control:** Andrew Farquhar, Airport Manager, gave a history of the proposed ATC changes within HIAL. It was noted that HIAL did not think there would be any issues with regards to connectivity with regards to Shetland. It was acknowledged that remote ATC may not be possible at Sumburgh. Mr Nickerson therefore enquired if HIAL had a 'Plan B' and had been informed that some Air Traffic Controllers may be retained at Sumburgh. Recruitment and training are continuing at present. It was reported that the proposed new system needs to be able to work at a minimum of seven of the HIAL airports before it is feasible.
- **Sumburgh Airport Parking Charges:** The introduction of parking charges at Sumburgh is expected to create an income of £150,000 which would be ring fenced for the upkeep of Sumburgh Airport. Mr Nickerson had asked Maggie Sandison why the SIC had not called in the development since HIAL had missed certain deadlines under the permitted development guidelines. Doing this would mean HIAL would have to lodge a planning application and thereby give the public opportunity to express their opinions as part of the consultation process. No definite answer was given. The ASCC agreed to write to Tavish Scott to request retrospective island proofing be considered in relation to the proposed introduction of car parking charges at Sumburgh Airport.
- **Water Bills for Public Halls:** The ASCC will write to Tavish Scott to request retrospective island proofing be considered in relation to water bills for public halls.
- **Joint Liaison Group:** It was agreed there is no need to re-activate the Joint Liaison Group. This can be reviewed in future if necessary.

18/22 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

2 Association of Community Councils (continued):

- The next ASCC meeting is scheduled for 11 September 2018

18/23 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Email ref. Dunrossness Primary School Parent Council AGM:

The AGM of DPS Parent Council will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 4th September in the school. This was noted.

2. Email from Shetland Amenity Trust ref. Da Voar Redd Up: In July, Shetland Amenity Trust & Promote Shetland launched a short film celebrating the ongoing commitment of Shetland's community to Da Voar Redd Up. The members agreed the short film was very good.

3. Email from SIC ref. Shetland's Partnership Plan: Earlier this year, representatives of the Shetland Partnership attended Community Councils across Shetland to discuss community planning and the development of Shetland's Partnership Plan. Feedback from Community Councils and other bodies and organisations has informed the content of the Plan which has been finalised over the past few months. The finalised Plan can be downloaded at www.shetlandpartnership.org

4. Association of Shetland Community Councils Meeting: The next meeting of the ASCC is scheduled for 11 September. The Clerk will email the members to see if anyone is available to attend on behalf of Dunrossness CC.

5. Email from SIC ref. Developers Workshop: The next Developers Workshop has been arranged for Tuesday 11 September. Cllr Smith reported that he will be attending and will therefore be able to update the members on any relevant matters.

6. Email from PC Andrew Greaves ref. Focus Group: PC Greaves is arranging a Focus Group discussion and looking for a volunteer from each community to attend. Attending the meeting will be Police Scotland's Lerwick Insight & Engagement Manager, a member of SIC and a member of NHS. Discussions will be carried out about issues within different communities and if more can be done by the above agencies to improve these. The email was noted.

18/23 CORRESPONDENCE (Continued)**7. Email from SIC ref. Make a Difference – Dates for Community**

Sessions: Loneliness, isolation and stigma were found to be significant causes of inequalities in Shetland by the Shetland Commission on Tackling Inequalities. As a result, Shetland Partnership (which includes NHS, VAS, Police, Fire the Trusts & SIC) endorsed the “Make a Difference” project which has involved the production of a short film and the roll out of awareness raising training. 341 staff across the Partnership have attended sessions to date with very positive feedback.

This training is now being rolled out to members of the community and 3 initial dates have been set:

Tuesday 16th October, 1830 – 2030, Islesburgh Community Centre, Rm 12

Saturday 27th October, 1100 – 1300, Islesburgh Community Centre, Rm 10

Tuesday 30th October, 1830 – 2030, Brae Hall, Small Meeting Room

To book a place, email Fiona Robertson at far.shetland@btopenworld.com, giving your name, the name of the community group (if any) you are involved with and the date of the session you wish to attend.

8. Email ref. Community Learning Exchange: The Community Learning Exchange, funded by the Scottish Government and administered by the Scottish Community Alliance, aims to promote learning and the exchange of ideas between communities in Scotland. The exchange will cover the cost of travel and subsistence for a community group to go and visit another community that is doing something of interest to them. The exchange will also cover the cost of a small ‘hosting’ fee paid to the organisation being visited to compensate them for the time and effort involved.

Last year, Scottish Government agreed that the scope of the Exchange could be extended to include Community Councils. More information can be found at <http://www.scottishcommunityalliance.org.uk/community-learning-exchange>

9. Email regarding request for Information Sign at Rerwick Beach: A

concerned member of the public had contacted the Community Council requesting that an Information Board/Sign be erected at the access point/gate to Rerwick Beach to inform users of the beach that it is an offence to harass seals at haul out sites. Following discussions, it was agreed that this was outside the remit of the Community Council and that the details would be forwarded to SNH and SSPCA.

18/24 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Wheelie Bins: Cllr Smith reported that he had recently enquired at an SIC Environment & Transport meeting if there might be a small quantity of funding available to help those members of the public who currently qualify for the assisted uplift service for their wheelie bins with organising securing points for the bins.

2. Sumburgh Airport Consultative Committee Meeting: The next SACC meeting is scheduled for 20 September. Unfortunately Mr Nickerson will be unable to attend so it was agreed that the Clerk email the members seeking a volunteer to represent Dunrossness. Mr Nickerson had noted that neither the proposed implementation of Car Parking charges nor HIAL's Air Traffic Control Strategy had been included on the Agenda as standalone items. Mr Nickerson felt, as agreed by the Community Council members, that these 'two major and significant policy changes should be a standing item on all future agendas' and had emailed Jeemie Smith, SACC Chair, to this effect. Andrew Farquhar, Airport Manager, had confirmed that he would be reporting on these two items in his Manager's Report.

3. Tar: Mr Mitchell reported that there had been an unfortunate incident with regards to tar in the Levenwick area over the summer during SIC pothole repair works. The tar had ended up on peoples feet, and subsequently the Health Centre's carpet, dogs feet etc etc. The Roads Dept had since been back and rectified the problem and the Council are in communication with the Health Centre with regards to replacing the damaged carpet.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9:30 pm.

Chair

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE PLACE IN DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2018.

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

- **Cash for Cans scheme**

<https://www.shetlandamenity.org/cash-for-cans>

- **BT Community Fibre Partnership**

<https://communityfibre.openreach.co.uk/schools>

- **UK Theatres Grants Scheme**

<http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/uk-theatres-small-grants-scheme>

- **Community Jobs Scotland**

<https://scvo.org.uk/jobs/community-jobs-scotland/information-for-employers/become-an-employer>

- **The Volant Trust**

<https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/volant.aspx>

- **Trusthouse Charitable Foundation**

<http://trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/grants/community-centres-and-village-halls/>

- **Shetland - Funding Scotland site**

Please find below a link to the Council's new Funding Scotland portal. This site is designed to assist community groups and voluntary organisations to search for funding opportunities. Groups can register to it for free, and once registered you can set up and carry out searches and sign up to funding alerts by following the instructions on the "FAQ" page. <http://shetland.fundingscotland.com> The Council has purchased a one year licence for this website and it replaces the previous licence held with Idox (Grantfinder).