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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 26 March 2018

PRESENT

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

APOLOGIES

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms S Leslie (Clerk)	Mr G Cape (Shetland Times)	Sandy Middleton (SIC)
Neil Grant (SIC)		

17/75 MINUTE

The Minute of the meeting held on 26nd February 2018 was adopted on the motion of Mr Mitchell, subject to the following amendment requested by Mrs Mitchell by email

17/74/1 Fair Isle Roads: should be added..... *Mrs Mitchell reported that the Fair Isle residents are of the opinion that the roads are already in a poor condition and that the Fair Isle Electricity Company are concerned that they will ultimately end up paying for any further damage caused to the roads*

17/76 POLICE REPORT

There was no Police Report available for the Dunrossness area this month.

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17/77 SHETLAND'S PARTNERSHIP PLAN

The Chairman welcomed Sandy Middleton and Neil Grant from the SIC to the meeting. Ms Middleton gave a short presentation on Shetland's Partnership Plan to date focusing particularly on the data/information gathered for the South Mainland. Shetland's Partnership Plan is a plan for all partners and communities in Shetland. It is about working together to improve the lives of everyone in Shetland. The key focus of the Plan is to reduce inequality of outcome in Shetland – how the issues that mean some people and groups have a poorer quality of life than others are tackled. The Shetland Partnership is made up of a wide range of partners, Highlands & Islands Enterprise, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire & Rescue, SIC & NHS, and communities bodies who work together to deliver collective ambitions for the future. The Partnership and key partners within it have a statutory duty to both produce this plan and ensure it is delivered and resourced. The Shetland Partnership started with the gathering of evidence about the population, health, crime rates, income, cost of living, poverty, education, employment, economy etc in Shetland. This helped them identify what they think their shared priorities should be and what they hope to achieve together over the next 10 years. The priorities and ambitions have been assessed to identify any potential socio, economic, environmental, equality and rural proofing impacts and adapted accordingly. Before agreeing these as their priorities, The Shetland Partnership are now asking partners and communities for feedback over the next month or two to help them refine these and make sure they are the right ones. The members found the statistics gathered very interesting but Mrs Flaws and Mr Nickerson enquired if it would be possible to break these down further into Community Council areas to give an even more accurate picture of the points covered. Ms Middleton and Mr Grant thought this was a fair point and would investigate if this was possible. Community bodies can complete a Response Form at <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Y17OA/> Mrs Flaws thanked Ms Middleton and Mr Grant for coming to the meeting and they duly left.

17/78 MATTERS ARISING**1. Road Matters:**

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

b) Bigton Graveyard Road: There was nothing new to report. Mr Nickerson requested that the Clerk contact William Spence, SIC, for an update as the condition of the road is steadily deteriorating.

2. Service Bus/Bigton Feeder Service: There was nothing new to report.

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

17/78 MATTERS ARISING

4. Air Traffic Control: See item 17/81

5. AHS Bus: Cllr Smith reported that he believed the SIC are currently seeking tenders for the provision of a dedicated school bus for Dunrossness pupils due to the Asymmetric Timetable coming into effect on 29th May.

6. Levenwick Broadband: There was nothing new to report.

17/79 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 entertainment, sometimes with guests, a Christmas meal and gifts 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 Mr Harrop and seconded by Mr Nickerson, to award the requested sum of £200

2. Dunrossness School Early Years/Nursery – To fund the purchase of a new laptop to support staff in planning and preparing learning opportunities within the nursery. The laptop could also be accessed by community groups to use for lectures, presentations, interactive communication with other groups, meetings etc: It was agreed, as proposed by Mr Nickerson and seconded by Mr Harrop to award the sum of £200 with the hope that Dunrossness Parent Council would match fund.

3. Bigton Toddlers Group – To create a safe outdoor play area to the rear of the Bigton Hall: Mr Waddell declared an interest. Although it was noted that there is already a play park in Bigton, the members agreed they were also keen to support this initiative. Therefore it was agreed, as proposed by Mr Harrop and seconded by Mr Mitchell, to award the sum of £250.

4. Bigton Youth Club – To assist with the costs of replacing/providing play equipment, craft materials, docking station for playing music etc: Mr Harrop declared an interest. It was agreed, as proposed by Mr Mitchell and seconded by Mr Nickerson, to award the requested sum of £350.

5. South Mainland Community History Group – To carry out necessary preparatory ground works and surface dressing of the car parking area at the Quendale Mill: It was agreed, as proposed by Mr Harrop and seconded by Mr Mitchell, to award the requested sum of £1500.

17/79 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS (Continued)

6. Da Voar Redd Up 2017: Although 17 groups had registered to take part in Da Voar Redd Up 2017 with Shetland Amenity Trust, the Clerk reported that only 5 of the 8 groups of private individuals who had completed a Redd Up and returned the requested survey paperwork to the Amenity Trust to confirm their participation had replied to emails to nominate a group for a donation from the Community Council. Also, 7 of the groups had not returned their survey paperwork to the Amenity Trust and therefore it could not be confirmed that they had actually completed a Redd Up. Therefore, taking the above into consideration, the £1000 set aside by the Community Council for donations will be divided equally between the 7 participants who have completed all paperwork and replied to emails.

Cllr Smith left the meeting briefly to enable the members to discuss planning matters

17/80 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

1. Construction & operation of 3 small scale wind turbine generators as part of the wider Fair Isle Low Carbon Electricity Storage and Generation Project: An email on the above had been received and states '*the application has now been considered by the Council's Executive Manager of Planning and under powers delegated to him in the Scheme of Delegations for the Planning Service that has been approved by the Scottish Ministers. He determined that consent be as follows: Grant Subject to Conditions*'. A copy of the decision notice can be found at <http://pa.shetland.gov.uk/>

Cllr Smith re-joined the meeting

17/81 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS

1. Association of Shetland Community Council's Meeting: Mrs Flaws had attended a meeting of the ASCC on 24th March and reported as follows:

- **Adoption of new ASCC Constitution and Standing Orders:** A few finer points were tidied up in the Draft versions of the new Constitution and Standing Orders. Once these amendments have been made, the new documents will be circulated to Community Councils. Mrs Christie also reported that Skerries Community Council intend to re-join the ASCC and will be able to participate in future ASCC meetings via tele-conferencing.
- **Community Empowerment Act:** Vaila Simpson gave a presentation. Mrs Flaws had requested an electronic copy to circulate to the members.

17/81 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS**1. Association of Shetland Community Council's Meeting (continued):**

- **Sumburgh Air Traffic Control:** It was agreed to invite HIAL to give a presentation on future plans for Air Traffic Control in Shetland at the ASCC meeting in June
- **Collection of Scrap Cars:** Patti Dinsdale, SIC Environmental Officer, will be invited to attend the ASCC meeting in June regarding the problems being experienced with regard to having scrap cars collected in Shetland. The ASCC will also write to DEFRA regarding the matter as they are responsible for the contracts.
- **Water Rates for Community Halls/Buildings:** The subject of Community Halls/Buildings Water Rates will be discussed at a future meeting.
- **Community Development Fund:** The first period for applications to the Community Development Fund has seen 20 applications totalling £48,000 being put forward.

17/82 CORRESPONDENCE**1. SIC email ref Consultation on The Licensing (Procedure) (Scotland)**

Regulations 2007: Anyone can share views and respond to this by visiting the Scottish Government's consultation platform 'Citizen Space' at <http://consult.gov.scot/criminal-law/licensing-procedure/>

2. Email ref. Voluntary Action Shetland Annual Review: As part of their annual review, VAS is requesting the members take a few minutes to complete an annual review to assist them in improving services and reporting to the various funders and stakeholders. The survey can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DYBXTN>

3. SIC Planning email ref. Developers' Workshops: A copy of the report from the January meeting was attached for the member's information.

4. Email from Shetland Amenity Trust: This year's Voar Redd Up is to take place on the weekend of 28th & 29th April.

5. Email ref. Shetland Transport Strategy Refresh Consultation: This email had been carried over from the Community Council's February meeting to enable the members to read the document. It was agreed that the Community Council had no responses to the consultation which they wished to put forward.

6. SIC letter ref. SIC (Thistle Court, Virkie) (Parking Place for Disabled Person's Vehicle) Order 2018: The final version of the above Order was enclosed for information.

17/82 CORRESPONDENCE (Continued)

7. Copy of email sent to SIC Roads ref damage to Pillar on the Quendale Mill Brig: This was noted.

8. SIC letter ref. Surface Dressing, Re-Surfacing & Reconstruction Programme 2018: Maps showing the stretches of road in the Dunrossness area affect by the above were included for information.

9. South Voe Sewer Network: The Clerk and requested an update on whether there were any plans to upgrade the Sewer Network at South Voe and had received a reply stating that *'there are no plans to increase the sewer network at present'*.

17/83 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Proposed Introduction of Car Parking Fees at Sumburgh Airport: Mr Nickerson had emailed the same motion which the Community Council had considered in November 2009 relating to proposed parking charges at Sumburgh Airport suggesting that it should be adopted again in this instance. Mr Nickerson stated, and the other members agreed, that neither the circumstances in terms of transport options to and from the airport, especially for those from north of Lerwick, with off-site alternative parking and park and ride opportunities limited nor the already high travel costs which Shetland travellers have to endure have changed since HIAL's previous attempt to introduce parking charges in 2009. The proposed motion read as follows:

This community Council deplores the proposal by Highlands and Islands Airport Ltd (HIAL) to introduce a parking tax at Sumburgh Airport which will dramatically increase the burden to the travelling public who are already currently experiencing elevated costs of travel to and from Shetland. It agrees to work urgently and collectively with other organisations and agencies to engage with HIAL to ask them to reconsider and cancel this damaging proposal.

Mr Harrop seconded the motion and the remaining members agreed unanimously. It was therefore agreed to write to the Chairman of the HIAL Board, Tavish Scott, Alistair Carmichael and the Scottish Minister for Transport, copied to the South Mainland Councillors stating Dunrossness Community Council's position on this matter.

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There being no other business the meeting closed at 10.05 pm.

Chair

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
WILL TAKE PLACE IN DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON
MONDAY 30th APRIL 2018.**

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

- **SSEN (Scottish and Southern Electricity Network) north of Scotland Resilient Communities Fund**

<http://www.ssen.co.uk>

- **SportScotland Sport Facilities Fund**

<https://sportscotland.org.uk/funding/sport-facilities-fund/>

- **Bank of Scotland Foundation**

<http://bankofscotlandfoundation.org/funding-programmes>

- **CAN DO Innovation Challenge Fund**

<https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/knowledge-hub/articles/insight/can-do-innovation-challenge-fund>