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Minute of Meeting of **Dunrossness Community Council** held in Dunrossness Primary School on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018

**PRESENT**

Mr R Mainland	Mrs E Flaws	Mr H Harrop	Mr G Waddell
Mr M Shearer	Mr R Nickerson	Mrs F Mitchell	
Cllr G Smith (ex officio)			

**APOLOGIES**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ms S Leslie (Clerk)      1 x member of the public

**18/33 MINUTE**

The Minute of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018 was adopted on the motion of Mr Waddell

**18/34 POLICE REPORT**

No Police Report was available.

## **18/35 MATTERS ARISING**

### **1. Road Matters:**

**a) Bigton Graveyard Road:** There was nothing new to report.

**2. Service Bus/Bigton Feeder Service:** A reply to the Community Council's letter ref the Bigton Feeder Service had been received from Michael Craigie, ZetTrans. Mr Craigie states that they *'are currently working on a report to Shetland Islands Council & ZetTrans that will set out the proposals for engaging communities & stakeholders. The aim is to ensure that SIC and ZetTrans Members have the information they need to make well informed decisions about the next generation of public bus services in Shetland. The report will be going to SIC on 31 October and ZetTrans on 8 November'*. In the meantime, the Community Council's request regarding the Bigton Feeder Service will be recorded.

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

**4. Air Traffic Control:** There was nothing new to report.

**5. Levenwick Broadband:** Mr Shearer and Mr Mainland reported that Broadband speeds in Levenwick were generally much better now.

**6. Proposed Siting of Bench in Dunrossness Kirk Yard:** The Clerk had contacted Cope ref purchasing a bench and obtained some information regarding options. Mrs Flaws had also obtained some information regarding 'no maintenance' benches which Scalloway Community Council had obtained. Both options will be investigated.

**7. Proposed Sumburgh Airport Parking Charges:** It was noted that it had been announced in the press that works are to proceed to install the infrastructure at Sumburgh Airport to enable the implementation of Car Parking Charges which it is planned will take effect at the beginning of December 2018. Cllr Smith reported that the SIC continue to make representation on the matter to the Scottish Government. The members were disappointed that no reply to their letter to Maggie Sandison, SIC Chief Executive has been received to date.

## **18/36 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**1. Levenwick Village club (Community Hall) - To assist with the costs of the annual Bonfire and Fireworks Display:** It was agreed, on the motion of Mr Harrop, seconded by Mr Shearer, to award the requested sum of £450.

**18/36 FINANCE AND GRANT APPLICATIONS (Continued)**

**2. Da Voar Redd Up:** The Clerk reported that she had received the list of participants in this year's Voar Redd Up from the Amenity Trust. Unfortunately, once again, not all of the 17 groups who had registered had confirmed their participation to the Amenity Trust. The £1000 set aside by the Community Council will be divided equally between those groups who have completed all the paperwork and confirmed their participation to the Amenity Trust. Individuals who took part will once again be asked to nominate a group to receive a donation on their behalf.

**Cllr Smith left the meeting at 8:05pm to enable the members to discuss any planning applications**

**18/37 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS**

**1. To construct new dwelling house with air source heat pump, south of Southerhouse, Scousburgh, Dunrossness by Ms Laura Sinclair:** There were no objections.

**2. Installation of a 6kW Wind Turbine on a 9m galvanised Steel Tower plus excavation of associated trench for electricity cable running back to the shed, Spiggie House, Dunrossness by Ms & Mr Sandy Middleton & Marty Davis:** There were no objections.

**3. Planning Consultations:** Further to the Clerks enquiry to the Planning Dept as to why the Community Council had not been consulted on 3 planning applications which were recorded on the SIC website, replies had been received from Marion Bryant, Business Support Officer, Development Management and John Holden, Team Leader, Business Management. Both replies stated that the applications for erecting a domestic shed at an existing property and erecting an extension to an existing stable/shed at a domestic property would not normally be sent to Community Councils for consultation. The third application (see item 2 above) is waiting to be allocated a Case Officer.

Mr Holden explained that *'it is a standing arrangement that we consult Community Councils on all applications for new dwellinghouses in their respective areas. In addition to this the Regulations we follow state that as planning authority we should consult the Community Council within whose area the development is proposed to take place where, in our opinion, the development is likely to affect the amenity of the area. In addition to this, the Community Council is entitled to inform the planning authority that it wishes to be consulted on an application having first identified this from week based searches of applications made valid on the Council's website at <https://pa.shetland.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=weeklyList&searchType=Application>*

**18/37 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS**

**3. Planning Consultations (continued):** *If the Community Council wishes to be consulted on an application it should notify the planning authority within seven days of the 'week beginning' list ending, but it can still submit comments after this'.*

**Cllr Smith re-joined the meeting at 8:10pm**  
**Mrs Flaws joined the meeting at 8:10pm**

**18/38 FEEDBACK FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS**

**1. Planned Closure of Local Church of Scotland Buildings:** A public meeting had been held in the Dunrossness Hall to discuss the planned closure of Church of Scotland buildings in the area. The churches being closed in the Dunrossness Community Council area are Fair Isle, Dunrossness & Bigton. Mrs Flaws had attended the meeting, and Mr Mainland had attended part of it as it clashed with the Community Council meeting. Mrs Flaws reported that the meeting had been informed that the Presbytery of Shetland had decided which churches had to close and were keen to know if the community were interested in taking over the buildings. It was noted that the current ownership of the Grade 'B' listed Dunrossness Church of Scotland building is unconfirmed at this stage. It was reported that current annual running costs for this building is approximately £5000. A survey of the building had been undertaken and it has been estimated that approximately £60,000 of works is required to bring it up to standard ie installation of insulation etc. In the case of the Dunrossness building, concerns were raised with regard to where funerals would be held, what would happen with regards to the Kirk Yard if the building was allowed to deteriorate into a state of disrepair etc

**2. PB Project:** Mr Mainland reported that the next meeting is planned for 31 October – which is the closing date for applications. The public event, at which the public will vote on which applications will be successful, is planned for the afternoon of 17 November in the Cunningsburgh Hall.

**18/39 CORRESPONDENCE**

**1. Letter ref. Shetland Festival of Remembrance 2018:** The WW1 Festival of Remembrance takes place on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 1830 in the Main Hall, Clickimin. During the afternoon of the 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a display of WW1 records, projects & memorabilia presented by local History Groups, Cabin Museum & AHS Pupils. The display will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room, Clickimin. Tickets to the main event are free and are available from Shetland Box office.

**18/39 CORRESPONDENCE (Continued)**

**2. Email from Shetland Recreational Trust:** SRT's Annual Report 2017/18 is now available and can be viewed at [https://www.srt.orf.uk/assets/files/annual-reports/srt-annual-report-2017\\_2018.pdf](https://www.srt.orf.uk/assets/files/annual-reports/srt-annual-report-2017_2018.pdf)

**3. Email from SIC Planning Service – Development Plans Team ref Shetland Local Development Plan 2 – Call For Sites:** The Call for Sites process for the next Local Development Plan has now commenced and will run until 31 March 2019. Additional information can be found on the website at <https://www.shetland.gov.uk/planning/CallforSites.asp>

**4. Email forwarded by Michael Duncan, SIC, ref. Consultation on Unconventional Oil & Gas:** The Scottish Government is currently finalising its policy position on the development of unconventional oil & gas in Scotland. Further information can be found at <https://consult.gov.scot/energy-and-climate-change-directorate/fracking-unconventional-oil-and-gas/> and <https://www.gov.scot/Topics/Business-Industry/Energy/onshoreoilandgas> Responses to the consultation are invited via the Citizen Space portal at <https://consult.gov.scot/energy-and-climate-change-directorate/preferred-policy-position-on-uog/>

**5. Email from Michael Duncan, SIC ref Community Council Elections:** Mr Duncan confirmed that there are no contested seats for membership of Community Councils. By-elections are scheduled to take place in the New Year for those Community Councils with vacant seats. With regards to the 'awareness raising' work which was carried out prior to, and during the election process, Mr Duncan would appreciate any thoughts/comments Community Council members might have on what worked well, what didn't work well, what could be done to better promote Community Councils and future elections etc. This was noted. It was agreed, should the members wish to provide comments, that they will reply individually to Mr Duncan

**18/40 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. Recent Retirement of Central Dunrossness Postman:** Mr Harrop suggested that the Community Council should write to former Central Dunrossness Postman, Frank Laurenson, on his retirement thanking him for the excellent service he has provided for the area over many years. This was agreed.

**2. Retiring Community Councillors:** Mr Mainland, the Clerk & Cllr Smith all thanked those members standing down from the Community Council for their support and help during their years as Community Councillors. The new Community Council will meet for the first time on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9:15 pm.

Chair

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF DUNROSSNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
WILL TAKE PLACE IN DUNROSSNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 7.30 PM ON  
MONDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018.**

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

- **Greenspace Scotland – Young Placechangers Ideas Fund**

<https://www.greenspacescotland.org.uk/young-placechangers-ideas-fund>

- **Transport Scotland – eBike Grant Fund**

<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/ebike-grant-fund>

- **Big Lottery Fund – Digital Fund**

<https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/digital-fund>

- **Life Changes – Dementia Friendly Communities Funding**

<https://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/people-affected-by-dementia/funding-opportunities-0>