

**MINUTE of the MEETING of SANDAY
COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in the
SANDAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL on
TUESDAY, 3 MARCH 2015 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Mr R Brown, Mrs J Seatter, Mr J Dearness, Mrs N Brown,
Mr J Muir and Mr A Towrie

In Attendance: Councillor G Sinclair
Ms N Black, Clerk
Three members of the public

1. APOLOGIES

RESOLVED to note that there were no apologies.

2. MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2015

RESOLVED to note the Minute of the Meeting held on 13 January 2015 was approved, being proposed by N Brown and seconded by A Towrie.

3. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Road to Roo

Following consideration of correspondence from Orkney Islands Council in response to the issue of flooding on the road to Roo, in which the contact details of the landowners concerned were requested, J Muir offered to draw up a map providing the information requested, and it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to forward the map to Democratic Services.

(b) Islands of Orkney Brochure – Sanday Amendments

Following consideration of the draft of the Sanday entry for the 2015 Islands of Orkney Brochure it was advised that the amendments had considerably over run the space allocation, which had resulted in the deletion of certain entries and all the photographs. Members heard that J Seatter had reviewed the information and condensed the entries, amending the text to conform to the same format as those of the other islands, and it was:-

RESOLVED to note the contents of the report.

(c) Video Conferencing of Community Council Meetings

Following consideration of a request from PC David Miller to participate in the Community Council meetings by video conference, members agreed that they preferred and felt more comfortable with face to face representation, and it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to convey members' response to PC Miller.

(d) Community Council Vacancy

The Clerk reported that four individuals had put their names forward for the community council vacancy. Members were hopeful that the public meeting to fill the vacancy could take place prior to the next meeting, and it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to ask Democratic Services if the public meeting for the election could take place prior to the next meeting on 28 April.

4. CORRESPONDENCE**(a) Letter from Local Resident**

Following consideration of correspondence from a local resident, members heard that the Chair had received several telephone calls prior to the letter. The access road to the resident's property and that of their neighbours was in a poor state of repair but the cost of the work was unaffordable, and following discussion, it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to send the haulage grant application form to the residents concerned.

(b) NHS Orkney: Reference Group/New Hospital and Healthcare Facility Newsletter

Following consideration of the January 2015 newsletter from NHS Orkney, it was:-

RESOLVED to note the contents.

(c) Orkney and Shetland Valuation Joint Board Valuation Notice Heritage Centre, Sanday

Following consideration of the valuation notice for Sanday Heritage Centre, it was:-

RESOLVED to note the ratable value was £4,600 effective from June 2014.

(d) Development and Infrastructure Committee – Update from Visit on 21 August 2014

Following consideration of correspondence providing an update on issues that had been raised with the Development and Infrastructure Committee during the island visit in August 2015, and following discussion, it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to pass the following omissions onto Democratic Services:-

Item 11 Roads should include the issues raised with Ean Peace's petition, and sand on road between Old Tractor Shed and Sandgarth;

Item 17 should include Klondyke and lower road at Isegarth; and

Items 20 and 21 should include all the Kirkyards.

(e) Air and Ferry Consultative Forum Meetings held 11 February 2015

The Transport Representative reported that the Air and Ferry Services Consultative Forum meetings were working very well as the current representatives had all been in post for a while. Members heard that there was a new maintenance plan in place for airfields, and that the refit timetable was also working well, and it was:-

RESOLVED to note the contents of the report.

(f) Letter of Thanks

Consideration was given to a letter of thanks received from R Priestman for the recent award from the Spurness Micro Grant Fund, and it was:-

RESOLVED to note the letter of thanks.

(g) Planning Application at Loth

Consideration was given to two letters which had been received regarding the planning application submitted for a change of use at Loth Quarry, from quarry use to industrial use for making cages for fish farming activities. After extensive discussion, members agreed that if the opportunity was available it would be beneficial to the wider community to have a slip way built for pleasure and smaller boats, and it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to write to the Planning Department supporting these representations.

5. GRASS CUTTING AND KIRKYARD MAINTENANCE TENDERS FOR 2015

Following review of and discussion regarding the grass cutting and kirkyard maintenance tenders and the machine maintenance tender, it was:-

RESOLVED:-

- (1) to ask the Clerk to place advertisements in the local shops; and
- (2) to set the return date of tenders to the 7 April.

6. BAG THE BRUCK

Consideration was given to correspondence from Orkney Islands Council advising that Bag the Bruck would be held over a nine day period this year, from 18 to 26 April. Members heard that the Sanday Ranger would publish additional details in the Sanday Sound. As in previous years, Sanday Community Council members agreed to match the £300 funding from Orkney Islands Council for sharing amongst groups participating in the event, and it was:-

RESOLVED to note this information and submit an application for community council grant scheme for assistance of £300.

7. CONSULTATIONS

(a) Draft Health and Social Care Integration Scheme

Following consideration of the Draft Health and Social Care Integration Scheme consultation document, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that this consultation had been circulated and reviewed by all members.

(b) Draft War Memorials Conditions Survey

Following consideration of the Draft War Memorials Condition Survey, which had been received from Orkney Islands Council inviting comments from community councils, and following consideration of correspondence from Democratic Services inviting a member to attend a presentation from the War Memorials Trust on 9 March, it was:-

RESOLVED to note:-

- (1) that members had no comments to submit regarding the survey; and
- (2) that no one was available to attend the presentation from Conservation Officer on Monday 9 March.

(c) Draft Landscape Capacity for Wind Energy in Orkney

Following consideration of the consultation document on Draft Landscape Capacity for Wind Energy in Orkney, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that details of this consultation were available online.

Three members of the public left the meeting at this point.

8. FINANCE

(a) General Fund

After consideration of a financial statement for the General Fund, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that the estimated balance was £5478.05, as at 17 February 2015.

(b) Spurness Wind Fund Community Endowment Fund Statement

After consideration of a financial statement for the Spurness Wind Fund, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that the balance as at 17 February 2015 was £50,724.93.

(c) Spurness Micro Grant Fund

After consideration of a financial statement for the Spurness Micro Grant fund, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that the estimated balance was £1369.02, as at 17 February 2015.

(d) Community Council Grant Scheme

After consideration of a financial statement for the Community Council Grant Scheme, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that £411.57 remained unclaimed but approved, as at 17 February 2015.

(e) Community Development Fund

After consideration of the financial statement for the Community Development Fund, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that the balance remaining for approval was £4419.68, as at 17 February 2015.

(f) Seedcorn Fund

After consideration of the financial statement for the Seedcorn Fund, it was:-

RESOLVED to note the balance remaining available for allocation of £4,218.03, as at 17 February 2015.

9. FINANCIAL REQUESTS

RESOLVED to note that there were no financial requests.

10. REPORTS FROM COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES**(a) Planning**

After hearing a report from the Planning Representative, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that the following applications had been received:-

- Erect a GP shed at Knowe
- Erect a 5 kw turbine at Stumpo
- Erect a 5 kw turbine at Gateside
- Change of use of barn to house and create access, Clinkhammer barns
- Change of use from quarry to industrial use, Loth Quarry

(b) Transport

RESOLVED to note that this item was taken under item 4(e).

(c) Development Trust

After hearing a report from the Development Trust Representative, it was:-

RESOLVED to note:-

- (1) that there was to be a public meeting to discuss the future of the old Kettletoft stores building; and
- (2) that the wooden shed at Heilsa Fjord was now up and running as a swishing shed.

(d) MARS

After hearing a report from the MARS Representative, it was:-

RESOLVED to note that the stones thrown on the road by storms had now been removed.

11. POLICE MATTERS

RESOLVED to note that there were no Police Matters.

12. PUBLICATIONS

The following publications were made available at the meeting for members to view:-

Orkney Ferries Statistical Report – January 2015;
Internal Air Service Passenger Statistic – January 2015; and
Holyrood Highlights.

13. AOCB

(a) Thank You Gift for Christmas Tree Helpers

The purchase of a thank you gift for the helpers who put up and decorated the Christmas tree last year was raised. Members agreed that their help had been much appreciated, and it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to process the receipt of the item once received.

(b) Grindally

Members heard concerns about Grindally, which had previously been raised, as there appeared to be no evidence of anyone tending to the disintegrating caravans, vehicles and other abandoned belongings. Members heard that there was debris resting against the barbed wire perimeter fencing which was posing a danger, and it was:-

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to bring this to the attention of Democratic Services.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED to note that the next meetings were scheduled for 28 April and 16 June 2015.

15. CONCLUSION

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members for attending and the meeting was concluded at 9.42 p.m.