

**MINUTE of the MEETING of SANDAY  
COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in the  
SANDAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL on  
TUESDAY, 13 JANUARY 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:** Ms N Black, Clerk  
One member of the public

**1. APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED** to note that apologies were intimated on behalf of Mr D Muir, Councillor S Clackson and PC David Miller.

**2. MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 18 November 2014**

**RESOLVED** to note the Minute of the General Meeting held on 18 November 2014 was approved, being proposed by J Dearness and seconded by J Seatter, subject to the following amendment:-

Item 8b - **RESOLVED** to award £5 per person up to a maximum of 45 people

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

**(a) Kirkyards – Five Year improvement Plan**

Following receipt of a letter from the Chief Executive's Service which advised Members that the extension to Burness Kirkyard and repairs to sunken lairs in Cross and Burness would be investigated and included in the improvement plan. After further discussion, it was:-

**RESOLVED** to wait and review the details in Five Year Improvement plan due in February.

**(b) Islands of Orkney brochure - Sanday Amendments**

Following consideration of a letter from Democratic Services regarding the amendments submitted for the 2015 version of Islands of Orkney Brochure, it was noted that the alterations could not be accommodated. There had been a considerable amount of changes which would have necessitated a complete re-write for which there would be a cost consideration. Members were asked to review the changes made and re-submit, and it was:-

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk reduce the amendments and re-submit them to Democratic Services.

**(c) Ferry cancelled sign**

Following consideration of an email from Councillor Clackson who had been trying to have the Ferry Cancelled sign re-instated. The post had been examined and found to be beyond repair and members discussed that the need for it now was not as great as it once had been. The text service was available but the mobile signal was not reliable and visitors may not be signed up to receive it, and it was:-

**RESOLVED** to monitor the situation.

**(d) Road to Roo**

Following consideration of a letter from Democratic Services in response to the flooding issue on the road leading to Roo, members were asked to consider approaching the landowner to ask if the ditch could be cleaned. However, during discussion it was heard that there are several landowners involved and members agreed that the issue should be addressed by Orkney Islands Council as the road was a public road, and it was:-

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk forward this information to Democratic Services.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE****(a) SSEPD'S Awareness Campaign**

Following consideration of an email from the Scottish and Southern Electric Power Distribution which advised members of their awareness campaign for the coming winter and the appropriate contact details, it was:-

**RESOLVED** to note the information.

**(b) NHS Orkney**

After consideration of correspondence from the Director of Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professions, NHS Orkney, requesting submission of names and contact details of those wishing to join a reference group, members ascertained that there was no one available to join this group, but agreed that they still wished to be kept informed of any developments, it was:-

**RESOLVED** to:-

- (i) note the contents; and
- (ii) advise the Director of Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professions of members' decision.

**(c) Orkney Waters Marine Spatial Plan**

Following consideration of correspondence from the Project Support Officer, Marine Scotland, providing details of the Pentland Firth and Orkney Water Marine Spatial Plan, it was:-

**RESOLVED** to note the information.

**(d) Proposed North Isles Landscape Partnership Scheme Project**

Following on from the recent consultation on suitable project ideas which would be used to develop the Heritage Lottery Fund application, a detailed list of ideas was reviewed. The project wording for one of the Sanday projects was found to be out of date, with Members asking for it to be updated, and it was:-

**RESOLVED:-**

- (i) that the Clerk advise Orkney Island Council of the incorrect wording for the Sanday project; and
- (ii) note the contents of the rest of the document.

**5. CONSULTATIONS**  
**FUTURE OF LAND REFORM IN SCOTLAND**

Following consideration of the Scottish Government Land Reform Consultation, it was:-

**RESOLVED** to note that online responses were due for submission by 10 February 2015.

**6. FINANCE**

**(a) General Fund**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the estimated balance of £5693.04, as at 15 December 2014.

**(b) Spurness Wind Fund (Micro Grants)**

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

**RESOLVED** to note the estimated balance was £1619.02, as at 15 December 2014.

**(c) Community Council Grant Scheme**

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

**RESOLVED** to note that £491.57 remained unclaimed but approved, as at 15 December 2014.

**(d) 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 15 December 2014.

**(e) 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 15 December 2014.

**(f) Community Fund statement for Spurness**

**RESOLVED** to note the balance available for grant making was £59,750.31 as at 7 January 2015

**7. FINANCIAL REQUESTS  
SPURNESS MICRO GRANT APPLICATION. R PRIESTMAN**

Following consideration of an application from R Priestman requesting assistance towards the cost of exhibiting paintings in London, it was:-

**RESOLVED** to award £250 from the Spurness Micro Grant Fund.

**8. REPORTS FROM COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES**

**(a) Planning**

**RESOLVED** to note that the Planning Representative had the following applications to report:-

Erect a 5KW turbine at Woodhouse  
Erect a 5KW turbine at Klondyke  
Erect a 5KW turbine at Blossom.

**(b) Transport**

**RESOLVED** to note that the Transport Representative had nothing new to report.

**(c) Development Trust**

**RESOLVED** to note that the Development Trust Representative reported two viewings of Kettletoft Stores.

**(d) MARS**

The MARS Representative was not present.

**9. POLICE MATTERS**

**RESOLVED** to note that there was no Police Matters to report.

**10. PUBLICATIONS**

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

Orkney Ferries Statistical Report – October and November 2014  
Internal Air Service Passenger Statistic – November 2014  
Crown Estate Report.

**11. AOCB**

**(a) Debris at the quarry at Loth**

After the recent storms, concerns were raised regarding a sheet of metal apparently abandoned by the quarry at Loth which was brought to Members' attention, and it was:-

**RESOLVED** to advise Democratic Services of the situation.

**(b) Resignation of D Muir as a Community Council Member**

D Muir had tendered his resignation and Members were in agreement that an advert be placed in the Sanday Sound to attract potential candidates for a new councilor, and it was:-

**RESOLVED** to ask the Clerk to place a suitable advert with a deadline of the end of February for responses.

**(c) New Municipal and Roads Services Representative**

Following the resignation of D Muir a new Municipal and Roads Services Representative was elected by Members. A Towrie was nominated and agreed to take the post, and it was:-

**RESOLVED** to note that A Towrie had been appointed as MARS representative and that the Clerk would provide details of the remit of the MARS representative.

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** to note that the next meeting date was scheduled for 3 March 2015 and additional dates of 28<sup>th</sup> April and 16<sup>th</sup> June were agreed.

**13. CONCLUSION**

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members for attending and the meeting was concluded at 9.12 p.m.